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Iyer shares global travel experiences

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With a subtle wit and a world perspective, acclaimed writer and essayist Pico Iyer spoke last Thursday in Founders Hall on topics of globalization, our world and the "Global Soul," in his speech entitled "Globalization and the Food We Eat."

Iyer, who himself is a global traveler, was born in England and raised in California by Indian parents. He is the author of six books and a regular contributor to *TIME* magazine. He has traveled all over the world, accumulating 1.5 million frequent flier miles on United Airlines.

In his speech, he brought forth his visions, journeys and personal experiences of the ever-changing world, focusing on the internationally rich aspects.

In one account, he shared how while visiting China, he noticed that as uncanny as it may seem, it houses one of the biggest Kentucky Fried Chicken restaurants in the world and is unlike any American one.

"What was interesting to me was that just outside the Forbidden City in Beijing there was a Kentucky Fried Chicken parlor. It was the largest Kentucky Fried Chicken parlor in the world. It sits 3,000 people and this was a new kind of exotic thing that I thought no one had really discussed before, yet it was the way in which the world was going."

> 'The best thing about globalism is that suddenly all of us have access to every culture of the world, so I wrote this book the "Global Soul" about people who come from everywhere.'
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> —*Pico Iyer, journalist*

"When you go into the Kentucky Fried Chicken parlor in Beijing, it looks nothing like one here in Los Angeles. For one thing it's a status symbol, people actually have to pay a whole weeks' wages to have a meal. The Kentucky Fried Chicken parlor in Beijing is at least as exotic as a fancy Chinese restaurant would be here in California. People go to The Kentucky Fried Chicken parlor in Beijing or many parts of the world with their cameras and they take pictures of their relatives eating because it is a special occasion that they can't afford very often. Around the walls are pictures of dream locations like L.A., San Diego, Disneyland, the kind of places that people all over the world dream about," said Iyer.

In reality he said it represented a part of a New World he called a"mongrel universe" because it was not exactly one culture but a mix of several. In America, the things one take for granted like a local fast food chain can be different and create a variety of different meanings and values when placed somewhere else.

"One thing that is interesting to me, and food represents this very clearly, is the ways in which the world has gone so internationally so quickly. All the cultures of the world come here and we have the same opportunity that previous generations didn't have," he said.

Iyer related how that 30 years ago, seeing so many different cultures within walking distance of each other was unheard of. Today one can walk in a neighborhood and have food or meet people from all over the globe.

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Flawed ASF election process results in recount



Lauren Wooding

Anthony Granillo, ASF presidential candidate, is a fountain of ideas. Granillo, a junior political science major, is up against current ASF President Mario Guerrero. There will be a re-election Monday and Tuesday, due to a ballot discrepancy. The winner of the election will be announced on Tuesday.

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University of La Verne Associated Students Federation (ASF) elections took place April 30 and May 1, but the results of the elections have not been posted due to a flaw in the election itself.

There will be a new election next week, May 7-8, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the quad. Michael Houdyshell, coordinator of campus activities and commuter programs said "there were some irregularities in the election. To be fair to both candidates that are running for president, we must do a new election next week."

According to some members of ASF, the voting was really close, and ASF members did not accurately keep track of which students voted, meaning that some students might have voted more than once.

Prior to the first election, executive board positions were running short on members.

"Every board should have had at least eight people running for each position; there were not enough candidates that desired to run this year," said Kristine Werthwein current vice president of advocacy.

The candidates running for president are Mario Guerrero and Anthony Granillo, vice president of advocacy: Kim

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Lauren Wooding

Current ASF President Mario Guerrero is running for re-election to his position for next year. Guerrero, a senior, is a double majoring in Spanish and computer information systems. He plans to use his college government experience when he enters politics in the future.

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College student marijuana use rises

•Drug use reveals insecurities

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Riddled with insecurities, he searches for something; anything to make him feel at home in a new place that to him, seems harsh and unforgiving.

With a self-proclaimed lack of self-esteem, he finds comfort in being part of a group that has come to accept him as one of their own. He shares with them experiences that are common to every adolescent, and even more common on a college campus.

The experiences and memories shared between them are forged from the existence and presence of drugs, in any form and are available on college and high school campuses everywhere.

Brought on from a longing to "fit in" rather than a curiosity for the taboo, he experimented with marijuana for the first time at the age of 15.

"It was something I was never curious about doing. It was there and I didn't want to say no," said an anonymous University of La Verne student. "I didn't really feel comfortable feeling that way, but I did it anyways because I was young and wanted to feel cool."

Uncertain about his role as a teenager, he believed that drug use was a definitive characteristic of adolescence and that ultimately it was his responsibility to experiment with drugs.

"Why didn't I say no? Because I thought that it [drug use] was something I was supposed to do, experiment with drugs," he said.

As his use of drugs expanded from a random occurrence into a daily routine, it became his only means of coping with an increasing lack of self-esteem.

"Back when I was in high school I was very depressed, it was sort of a coping method. I didn't care if I lived or died. I would have tried anything, I didn't give a sh-t about anything," he said. "Still up to this day I use marijuana as a way to cope with my problems, and that is why I want to stop. Because it is unhealthy."

While he said he wants to stop using drugs and has sought help at the Hanawalt House here at the University of La Verne, he said it is difficult because of the environment that a "typical" college campus promotes. With the presence of drugs on campus being so apparent, drugs are easily accessible for those who want them, and can serve as painful reminders of the past for those who are attempting to move on with their lives.

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> —*Anonymous ULV student*

"For me personally, it is a big deal. It is a way to relax, but personally I want to be able to do that without the use of some sort of substance," he said. "It's [avoiding drug use] hard because it is around so much. It's what people do. It's a social thing."

According to the National Institute on Drug Abuse's (NIDA) official website, 21.6 percent of all high school seniors had smoked marijuana over a 30 day basis, and 24.9 percent have used various forms of illicit drug other than marijuana within the same time period.

"It [the college environment] is encouraging me to keep going. You'll find it on every college campus. I don't think the University can stop the problem, but I don't think that they are doing anything to foster the problem. It's the college attitude," he said.

"Especially living on campus, it turns into a tight-knit group of people that live together and once any drug has leaked into any one group of friends, you are automatically thrown into this world of drug users or non-drug users and the conflicts that arise between them," said

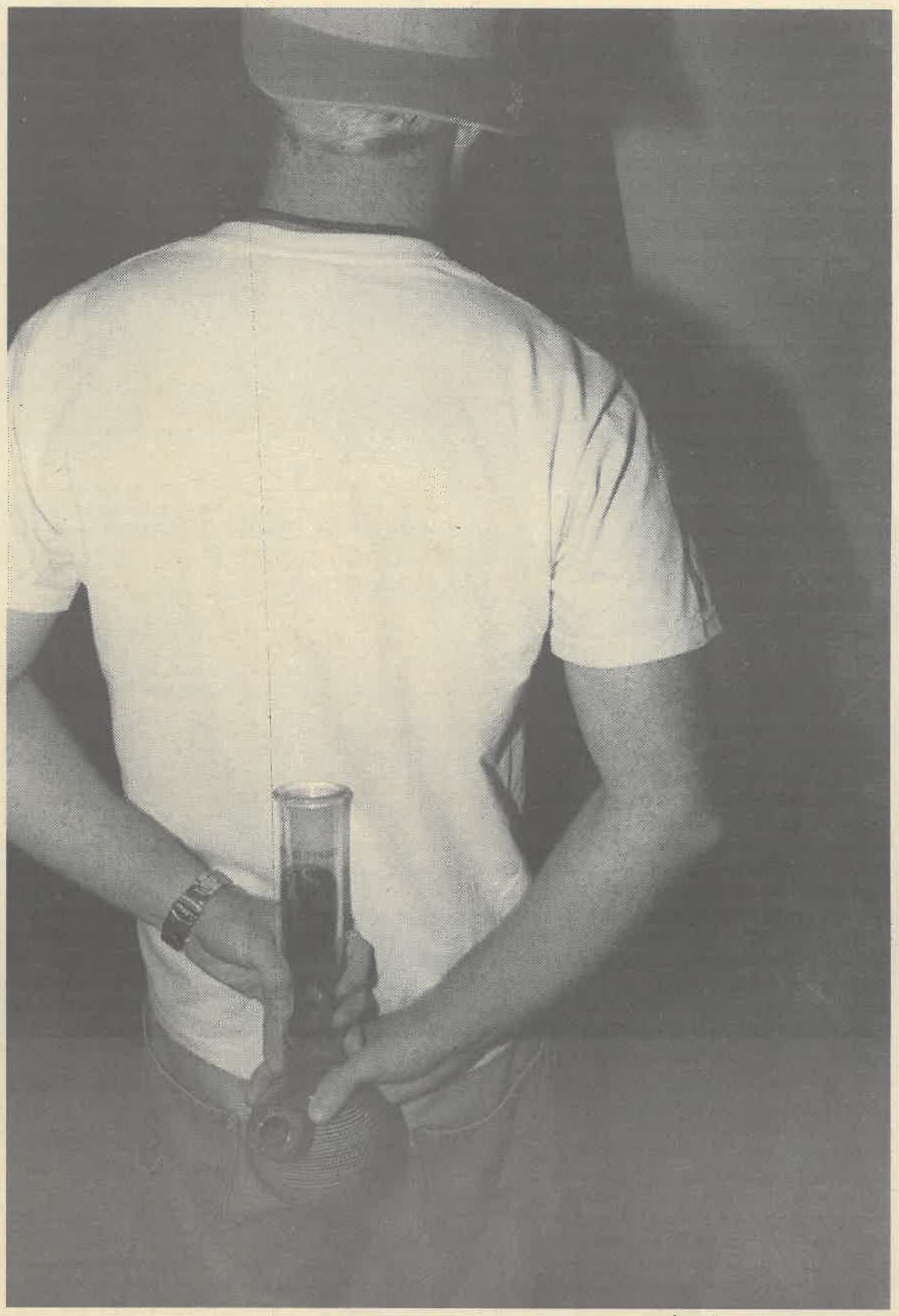

photo illustration by Jason Cooper

Although marijuana use among people 12 years and older is down 13.2 percent since 1979, its popularity among college and high school campuses has grown significantly.

According to a study by the Drug Enforcement Agency, 11.2 million high school and college aged students use marijuana on a monthly basis.

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SAE claims ASF was unfair in Formal allocations

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Members of Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternity are questioning a decision by the Associated Students Federation (ASF) Forum to deny a request for funds for the organization's formal.

Sigma Alpha Epsilon requested money from ASF for their formal and they were denied, even though they had received money last year.

There has been talk about unfair dealings. ASF currently has five members affiliated with Phi Delta Theta, including ASF President Mario Guerrero.

The ASF Forum allocated $2,000 for the Phi Delta Theta formal held last March. Therefore, the formal had to be open to all University of La Verne students. Only four non-Greek students attended.

Sigma Alpha Epsilon president Greg Hemenover questioned ASF's reasoning.

"I don't think it was fair. ASF told us first of all we weren't professional in our presentation," said Hemenover. "They said that they weren't going to give money to organizations for their formals, but the Phi Delts were given money."

Crystal Apilado, ASF vice president of activities, said that ASF members Nick Van Der Wende, Ralph Solis, Dan Miyashiro and Mario Guerrero, who are all Phi Delta Theta members, were absent at the meeting. "Frank Tolentino was the only Phi Delt present at the meeting," said Apilado.

Ralph Solis said, "We didn't attend the meeting because we didn't want to cause trouble. Not even Mario attended the meeting."

Phi Sigma Sigma member Jackie Foreman said, "I don't think our formals should be open to all students. It's our sorority formal and if that means we don't get money from ASF, then that's fine."

Yvonne Hernandez, a Sigma Kappa member, believes the opposite. "We have 54 members in our sorority. Think about how many other students are involved with Greek organizations. ASF holds student's money. Greeks are students too. Maybe we shouldn't get $2,000, but we should get at least some money."

Sigma Kappa member Danielle Pomierski said, "We didn't go to ASF for money for our formal, but they did fund our Pajama Jamy Jam held last November and it was open to all students."

Organizations that request money must go through a process of paperwork. Those organizations must calculate everything that is needed for the event and the total must be presented to ASF.

Amanda Stutevoss of Sigma Kappa said, "When I was on ASF, we had to remove ourselves from the voting process if we were involved in the organization we were voting on."

ASF clearly stated that Phi Delta Theta would be given the money as long as ASF was given a list of all students, including non-Greek members, who would be attending the formal.

Apilado said that only four students who were not Greek went and ASF did not think it was worth the money. She also said that Guerrero later vetoed giving money to Phi Delta Theta for their formal, although his veto was subsequently overridden.

ASF looked at Phi Delta Theta's turnout to determine whether or not they would fund future formals. Sigma Alpha Epsilon was denied the money simply because ASF was not going to fund any more formals.

"If SAE had came first, they would have probably gotten the money. If Iota Delta came first, they might have gotten the money. I thought SAE's presentation was fine. That was not the reason they didn't get the money. Individual members who thought that SAE did not have a good presentation, well, that was their personal opinion. Those ASF members thought SAE should have fundraised more," said Apilado.

"Next year it might be different. It'll be a whole new Forum," she said.

University cuts energy consumption

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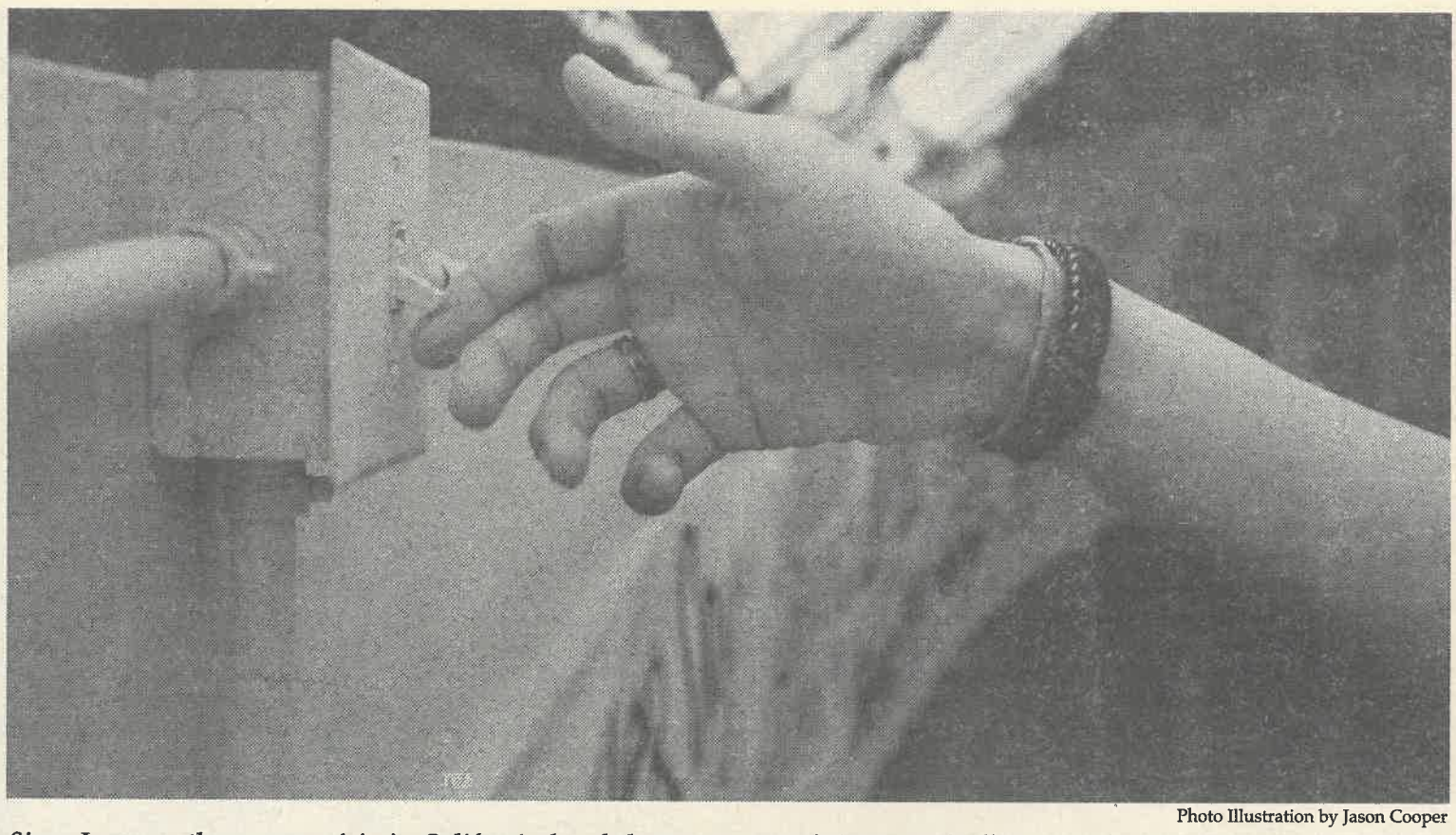

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Since January, the energy crisis in California has led many consumers, including the University of La Verne, to take measures to conserve power. Lights, computers and televisions are now being turned off to save electric resources, yet buildings on campus like the Supertents have had harder times conserving electricity as these older structures lack energy efficiency.

In light of California's energy crisis, the University of La Verne has taken various measures to cut energy consumption. So far, energy prices cost California businesses and residents $10.9 billion more last summer than the year before.

The goal of the University has been, "To do a couple things, it's a cost cutting measure, but really that is secondary. We are trying to do our part to minimize the effect of rolling blackouts in the state of California, which I guarantee [that] there will be rolling blackouts in California," said Robert Beebe, the assistant director of facilities management.

A memo was sent out this past January to members of the ULV community requesting certain measures be taken to conserve energy. Among them, all thermostats should be set at 68 degrees heating and 78 degrees cooling. In addition, all computers should be on during use only, and when possible, office work should be conducted by either daylight, half of lights or by task lighting only. Time clocks were also installed in all air-conditioning units.

Michael Houdyshell, director of campus activities and commuter programs, makes efforts to cut down on energy consumption in the Student Center. "I try to keep the TV off when no one is watching it, and I always try to keep the doors closed when the heat is on, or the air conditioner, especially, is on."

One building that consumes a lot of energy is the Student Center, which receives a lot of student traffic and activity throughout the day. The Supertents are home to various departments and offices, the Spot, as well as the gym. It is open from the hours of 6 a.m. to 10 p.m. and afterward it is cleaned. The lights in the offices and the gym are turned off, but the rest of the lights are left on. Currently, Brian Worley, director of facilities management is working on a plan to cut down on energy consumption at the University.

A lack of energy supply led to California's energy crisis and rolling blackouts have effected many parts of the state. This was done to prevent a power grid meltdown. The state's two major electric utility companies,

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the "Global Soul," about people who come from everywhere."

In his book "Global Soul," Iyer defined global soul, in one of its meanings, as an "international person, a person who has created and had the opportunity to choose what their community is what their tradition is." Iyer listed a person who is a "Global Soul" into three categories. The first is a person who is international by background, the second is considered someone who comes from a rooted background but has the opportunity to travel because of his or her job and live an international lifestyle. The third is anyone, people that are surrounded by international things and people.

"Using the word 'global soul' is a way to describe how globalism can be something much deeper than just markets," said Iyer

Living in a country that thrives on the Internet, telephones and electronics Iyer said it is easy to take things for granted. Not every country in the world is similar or even close to the United States. In other countries, the ability to have clean water and food everyday is a struggle. Iyer said that three American individuals have the same net worth as 48 nations in the world. Six hundred million people have the same value of just three Americans.

"The one reason I travel is to see how most people in the world live. I think that in California we have a distorted perspective. It is easy to forget that two-thirds of the people in the world have never even used a telephone. For the time being their first concerns are the basic ones of safety, food and shelter and just looking after their children in the midst of poverty and famine and war," he said

" In places like Ethiopia, Cambodia we see that people are living as if the last 2,000 years of history had not happened. When I went to Cambodia last year I saw that what they need more than anything in the world was a mosquito net. It only cost $5, but it can save three lives every day," said Iyer.

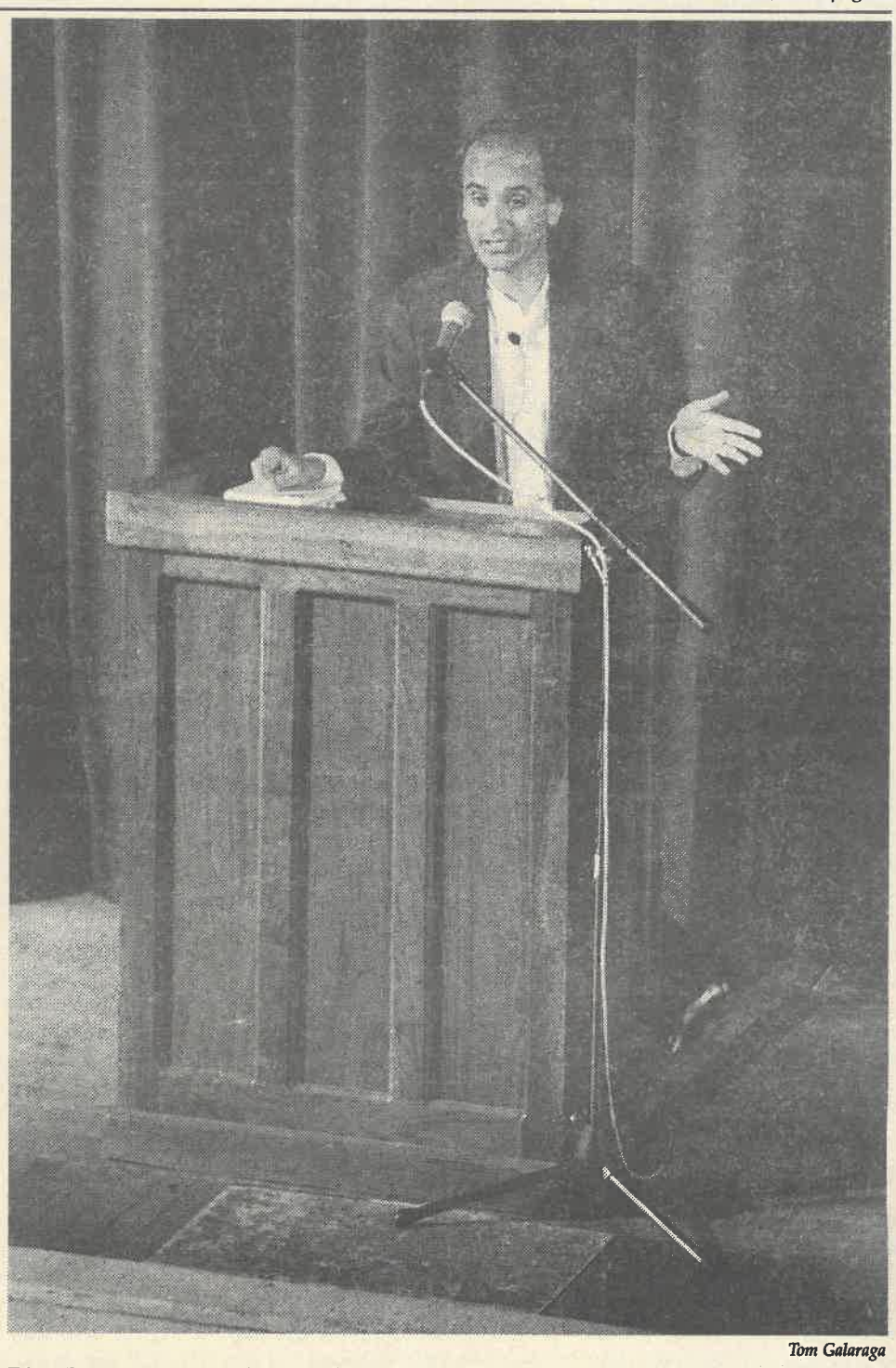
Iyer related stories from his books and travel. He read a passage from his book about the day his house burned down and he met his neighbors for the first time who were illegal Mexican natives. They were living in a trailer for more than 20 years just trying to work and raise money for their families in Mexico, who they only saw once a year. Like him, they really did not have a home either to get money for their family they had to be away from their homes.

"Globalism is taking place on two levels at once. There are people like me who actually got to travel around the world and get all these opportunities that were unimaginable not too long ago. Then there are people who are like my neighbor who are propelled out of there homes for of all reasons by poverty, by famine or by war."

"I found what I didn't now before which is the number of refugees have gone up tenfold. There are a 100 million people in the world who are refugees who really don't know where their home is propelled out of there homes into places that are completely strange to them."

Iyer expressed the importance of the ever changing world that is becoming more international and how the combing of cultures and backgrounds affect different countries. With a world traveler's vision he brought forth a knowledge that many have never experienced before. The growing community of diverse cultures intermixed is inevitable and that in the future it will be much harder to tell what anyone person is. He related the example that if a German man married a woman from Japan and then they moved to California and had a child the views and culture of their child would not be exactly German, Japanese, or American it would be a total mix of all.

"The new century is a exciting as any century has ever been and we can all live a life of what seemed like science fiction to even our parents, but at the same time in order to make the most of it we have to ask fundamental questions," said Iyer.



Tom Galaraga

Pico Iyer, a renowned journalist who has written for publications such as TIME magazine and authored several books, including "The Global Soul," discussed the impact of American culture and how its presence has affected other longstanding cultures. Iyer was available after his speech to sign his book and answer any questions that he was unable to answer.

Morrow to leave ULV for Fullerton

•Professor intends to pursue goals

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Gloria Morrow, associate professor of psychology, is leaving the University of La Verne during the end of the semester to further pursue her professional goals at Cal State University Fullerton.

These professional goals will include being the associate professor of counseling, teaching a counseling program and fully pursuing her research interests.

Morrow taught in the undergraduate and graduate program in psychology and the behavioral sciences at ULV. She is the Director of Clinical Training for the doctoral program.

At the beginning of her eight years at ULV, she was an undergraduate in the CAPA program and worked as a part-time faculty member.

She was then offered a fellowship through the "Grow Your Own" program to increase diversity among faculty.

"I have been afforded many wonderful opportunities to grow and develop during my time at La Verne," said Morrow.

Her best experience at ULV was working with colleagues and becoming active in the Coalition for Diversity Task Force and the Multicultural Institute on campus.

"I love the campus. It is the most beautiful campus I have ever been to. Most of all I love the students and especially being a mentor to African-American students," Morrow said.

Morrow said she has learned a great amount of information from her students.

"As a professor with a high regard to students, I have learned so much from them," she said.



Tom Galaraga

Associate Professor of Psychology Gloria Morrow will leave the University of La Verne at the end of the semester to begin a new career at Cal State Fullerton. She has been appointed as Associate Professor of Counseling at CSF.

Morrow also gave some advice to her colleagues. "I believe that all faculty should take the opportunity to learn from their students," she said.

Valerie Jordan, professor of psychology and chair of the doctoral program, is one of many colleagues that will miss Morrow.

"I have mixed feelings about her leaving ULV. On one hand I am very happy for the professional opportunity it has for her, but I am very sad because it is a tremendous loss for La Verne, the Psychology Department and the students," said Jordan.

Many characteristics come to mind for Jordan as she described Morrow with words such as "professional, integrity, respectful of colleagues and students, caring and extremely insightful."

Jordan also said that Morrow is "an outstanding colleague." "She has made tremendous contributions to the doctoral program and Psychology Department," she said.

Assistant Professor of Psychology and Executive Director of Multicultural Research and Campus Diversity, Christina Ayala-Alcantar, had few a personal thoughts to say about Morrow.

"She was my mentor. She went out of her way to provide me constructive feedback. Gloria was always there to listen and had an open-door policy.

"She was a great leader and challenged the department critically, along with having some great insights," said Ayala-Alcantar.

Ayala-Alcantar also said that Morrow was a critical key figure getting and implementing the grant for the James Irvine Foundation.

"Her knowledge helped us develop a survey protocol that helped us access the academic supports and barriers for African-American students," said Ayala-Alcantar.

Morrow said she will miss many people at ULV. "I will miss the people, faculty, students, administrators, and staff who really went out of their way to make me feel a part of the community. I will also miss the opportunity to continue to help our community to have a deeper appreciation for diversity," said Morrow.

Morrow is excited about the new opportunity she has at Cal State Fullerton.

"I look forward to continue mentoring students, to enhance my research agenda and to build relationships in a new community," she said.

Housing increases student occupancy in dorms

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The housing reservation process was revamped this year in order to simplify and quicken the usually lengthy and time-consuming procedure. Along with these changes to the reservation process, a change is also being made to the dorm rooms themselves.

Many of the dorm rooms that now house two students will start housing three. These double rooms will serve as triple rooms in order to house the larger number of students who want to live on campus.

According to the housing reservation process information book, 10 double rooms will turn into triple rooms in Stu-Han, one triple will turn into a quad in Brandt, and 30 doubles will become triples in the Oaks complex. A-top in the Oaks, which is currently an all-female floor, will turn five rooms into male rooms; thus the floor will no longer be all-female.

According to Julie Thurman Francisco, director of the office of housing and residential life, the reason for the tripling of the rooms is due to the large senior, junior, sophomore and incoming classes, and there wasn't enough housing on campus to fit everyone who wanted to have housing, they didn't want to exclude anyone who wanted to live on campus. She said about three years ago the Admissions Department began admitting a larger number of incoming freshmen, and that this has resulted larger classes overall.

The dorm room in Stu-Han, the Oaks and Brandt were originally intended for two occupants; this fact leaving many students wondering where the extra space will magically come from.

Thurman Francisco said they are currently working with a furniture company to acquire the new beds, desks and dressers for the rooms. She said each room will have one bunk bed and one lofted bed. Underneath the lofted bed will be a desk and a dresser. The other two desks and dressers will remain inside the room as usual. She said although it is a tight living space, it will work and fit properly.

Freshman Stacey Corso will be living in a triple room next year and said she "had no other choice" because there were no more open double rooms when she went at her designated time.

"I'm not too happy with the whole situation that's for sure," she said. "It's tight enough with two people in a room. How are they going to fit three?"

She also said she thinks the University has enough money to build a new dorm complex and that the tuition went up so she does not understand why they are choosing to triple up the rooms. She also feels students were not given enough notice about the changing process because they received the information with the housing application a few weeks before the process began.

Students were given a housing reservation packet which informed them of the tripling room situation. Inside was a list of what room would be converted into triple occupancy rooms.

"We actually had people wanting triples and coming in with their first preference for a triple because of the discounted rate (of 20 percent)," she said. "Some were choosing triples in the Oaks over doubles in Stu-Han and Brandt."

Despite the addition of the new Oaks pod, which brought in 66 additional spaces, Thurman Francisco said the new building helped, but didn't solve the problem. She said within the next four or five-year horizon, a plan for the construction of a new residence hall will most likely be in place.

Until this time however, the triples will remain as a standard room. She said without the construction of the new pod, more rooms would have had to be tripled compared to now.

Freshmen Mike Haydel and Charlie Cousert said they are just tired of dorm life and plan to move into an apartment together for the following school year. Cousert said the fact that the rooms are turning into triples solidifies his decision to live off campus.

"We'll be gaining a lot [by not living on campus]," he said. "I'll be able to get more sleep and study more compared to the dorms."

Some students may cancel their housing reservation over the summer, or during the school year which will leave vacancies in double or triple rooms.

According to Thurman Francisco, these vacancies will be filled in order to "de-triple" the rooms. She said it is feasible by second semester to have little or no triple occupancy rooms.

The Housing Department had previously been conducting research in order to come to a decision regarding the lack of housing and large number of

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New bankruptcy law affects students

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Changes in our nation's bankruptcy laws will affect many Americans, particularly college students.

On March 15 of this year, the Senate passed S 420, a bill that will ultimately restructure bankruptcy laws nationally. The bill will require a person declaring bankruptcy to take what is called a 'means test' beforehand.

This test will determine whether or not a person can afford to pay 25 percent of their debts. If they can, then they must enter a repayment schedule over a period of five years.

How does this affect college students? A study by the Department of Education found that students attending private schools borrow an average of $14,300 over four years.

Currently, the law dictates that students begin paying their loans six months after graduation. Many schools and banks also require that students take a loan entrance and an exit exam ensuring that they know the stipulations of their student loans.

Nonetheless, the rate of personal bankruptcies filed from people under 25 has risen from one to five percent in just five years, and according to the American Bankruptcy Institute, the percentage is still increasing. This year alone, 150,000 people under the age of 25 filed for bankruptcy.

Schools that can afford to eliminate student loans have begun to do so.

In efforts to curb student debt accumulation, Princeton University announced that beginning next fall, student loans will become entirely replaced with grants and work study. Princeton, however, enjoys the largest endowment per student from all Ivy League Schools. Few schools can afford a measure of this extent.

'I will be graduating with $20,000 in student loan debts and $8,000 in credit card debts.'

— Frank Tolentino, junior

It was not until the 90s that credit-card companies began targeting college students, eliminating the stipulation for a co-signer.

Today's credit cards offer a low-interest rate at the beginning and then start charging much higher interest rates as time goes on. In addition, some charge an annual fee.

University of La Verne junior Frank Tolentino has a total of six credit cards, including a Discover, two Visa's (with two different credit lines), Macy's Card, Best Buy Card and a Circuit City Card.

"I will be graduating with $20,000 in student loan debts and $8,000 in credit card debts," he said.

His purchases include going out to dinner, car payments, clothing, and home furnishings.

"When you're in college it's tempting because you want all of these different things, so you get a card to pay for them," said Tolentino.

"The thing that got me into it [debt] was when I first moved out on my own, I had to buy a television, couch, table, and all of that," he said.

Also, Tolentino has recently purchased a new car.

"At the time, I had a really good job, and I realized that if I paid $200 more per month I could have a nicer car." Currently he is not working, but does plan to go back to work in the summer.

Students like Tolentino, who might have considered declaring bankruptcy before, may not be able to now. The new bill will force more people to pay off their debts, if they have just 25 percent of the assets too.

In the March 26 issue of *TIME* magazine, journalist Adam Zagorin wrote an article on the passage of the bill.

"When credit-card companies want something really badly, what do they do? They pay cash, of course. And that's just what they did, along with a lot of banks, retailers and auto lenders who contributed millions of dollars to key members of Congress as well as to President George W. Bush's campaign and inaugural festivities," he wrote.

The article also asserts that President Bush's largest campaign contributor was MBNA, who, according to its own website, is "the world's largest independent credit card issuer, with managed loans of $88.8 billion."

Opponents to the bill feel that credit card companies are at fault for extending credit to so many people.

Last year alone, credit card companies extended credit to over 3.3 billion persons. In recent years, they have begun to target people as young as 14 for credit cards.

Another group that will be affected by the bill are single, female headed households, who are the fastest growing group of people entering bankruptcy.

Many women's organizations, consumer rights groups and academics have asserted that this bill will make it harder on them because now alimony and child support payments will become accessible to credit-card companies.

If the means test determines that a person has the ability to pay off 25 percent of their debt, then that money will be used to do so.

Senator Paul Wellstone from Minnesota went on record, stating that, "This bill is a wish list for the credit card industry and a nightmare for vulnerable families."

Small businesses are another sector that could be affected by the bill.

If small businesses do not meet certain deadlines for having their finances in order, they will face liquidation. Economists believe that this will in turn lead to problems like unemployment.

To curb credit card debt, students are advised by financial specialists to take credit cards with long-term, low interest rates and those without annual fees.

Another tip is to limit spending to only the essentials and pay as much of their monthly credit-card payment as possible on time, in an effort to eliminate paying large amounts of interest. A sure way to avoid having credit card debt is to not own one at all.

Energy Crisis...

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Pacific Gas and Electric (PG&E) and Southern California Edison are currently in debt and on the brink of bankruptcy. California is currently trying to buy power and work out a restructuring plan.

On Wednesday, April 25 the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission passed an order, which plans to destabilize energy prices by May 29. It will allow California regulators to impose price controls on power generators when electricity supplies fall within 7.5 percent of consumer demands.

The Federal Energy Reserve Commission has accused various companies of overcharging for power. For this reason Governor Gray Davis and the state of California are currently involved in investigations and lawsuits against utility companies like PG&E, Edison and Duke Energy. Other members of society also have a bone to pick with utility companies, particularly Southern California Edison.

"In Southern California our energy comes from Southern California Edison; a company that purchases energy from Peabody Coal. With the help of the U.S. government and Peabody Coal, we have secured our energy by forcing 10,000 Navajo people off of their land as of Feb. 1, 2000," said the Assistant Director of Forensics, Justin Jones-Rodriguez.

The energy crisis stems back to 1996, when bipartisan legislators passed a deregulation law. At the time, a large lobbing campaign was underway from mainly companies involved. Legislators who passed the law felt that it would increase options for the people of California by allowing them to choose their own utility providers. There were hopes that prices would also decrease as a result. It was also presumed that more power plants would be constructed.

"Deregulation is a huge flaw," said Beebe, "the California lawmakers went into this with good intentions unfortunately they were dealing with things that they weren't experts on." Beebe went on to say how the deregulation of phone companies did increase the number of providers but had little to no effect on prices. Another problem was how few people actually switched utility providers, because of different reasons. Prices oftentimes were not low enough for people to want to switch, and also it was difficult for many companies to match the low prices of the 'Big 3' companies, PG&E, Southern California Edison and San Diego Gas and Electric.

Many of those that did switch began to buy electricity from The Green Mountain Ene gy Corporation, which generates energy from renewable sources like wind, air, sun, water and natural gas. Recently, the company had to discontinue many of its services to California residents.

"We want to bring you renewable energy service again, just as soon as the legislature and regulators enact rules that create true competition and consumer choice," was part of the company's statement. The company recently built two solar plants and a new wind plant in California.

Countries such as Japan and Germany have aggressive solar power programs. Yet three-fourths of the solar panels made in the United States go overseas. These panels produce power during the day, when the most power is being consumed.

Many experts and scientists agree that the state needs to adopt an energy-saving program. Solar energy would curtail air pollution as well, according to the Green Mountain Energy Corp., making electricity is the number one cause of air pollution.

Professor of biology, Harvey Good said, "The U.S. has lagged behind on that, countries like Saudi Arabia and Iran and some of those desert countries have done a lot more with solar energy," said Good.

He mentioned that there are alternate forms of energy, like wind turbines that have been fairly successful, though there is noise pollution associated with those. "Solar energy," he said, "is just the space that it takes up with photovoltaic panes, which directly converts energy to electricity." There are problems with other types of solar-energy conversions. However, Good said "We could emphasize solar energy," since the United States is so dependent on other types of energy.

Beebe also spoke on the rising energy prices in general.

"What people don't realize is that your natural gas prices already up the roof, gasoline prices are ridiculous, electricity rates are high, and for that reason, it's going to cost you more for a pizza or a movie ticket. Businesses cannot afford to absorb all of these tremendous high costs on all fronts," Beebe said.

'Deregulation is a huge flaw, the California lawmakers went into this with good intentions unfortunately they were dealing with things that they weren't experts on.'

—Robert Beebe, assistant director of facilities management

Vice President Dick Cheney has been working on the nation's energy consumption. In a *New York Times* article by Joseph Kahn dated April 30, "Vice President Dick Cheney said today that oil, coal and natural gas would remain the United States' primary energy resources for 'years down the road' and that the Bush administration's energy strategy would aim mainly to increase supply of fossil fuels, rather than limit demand."

In The News

Senior Luncheon

There will be a senior luncheon hosted at President Morgan's house on Thursday, May 10. Tickets are available from the University Bookstore. For more information contact Brian MorganArmstrong at ext. 4510.

ASF Elections

ASF will be holding a re-election for the office of president on Monday, May 7 and Tuesday, May 8. Polls will be open from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Caps and Gowns

Cap, Gown and Hood distribution will be held from Tuesday, May 22 to Friday, May 25 in the Old Gymnasium from 2 p.m. to 7 p.m.

Academic Awards

The Academic Awards Ceremony will held in Founders Auditorium on Tuesday May 8 at 7 p.m.

Lip Sync

The Greek Week Lip Sync will be held in Founders Auditorium on Friday, May 11. Admission is free. For more information contact Michael Houdyshell at ext. 4251

-Tom Galaraga

Multicultural Fair raises awareness

•Week offers look at cultures

Tim Tevault
Staff Writer

To help raise awareness for different issues, the Intercultural Festival and Peace Fair was held from April 24-26 all around campus. Coordinated by the International Student Center, the four events each corresponded to the theme, "Come to the Table."

The first event was the Peace Fair, held on April 24 in Sneaky Park. Booths, such as the House of Ruth, helped promote. The purpose of the Fair, according to coordinator and Protestant Campus Minister Debbie Roberts was "to raise awareness by having representatives of these organizations on campus."

Roberts said that the theme, "Come to the Table," did not only apply to food, hunger and starvation, as the flyers advertising the fair suggested, but she believed it could also mean "having more information on our plates." Students could then take that information and learn a very important lesson from it.

The second event, the Hunger Banquet, featured a "model of income levels, worldwide," said coordinator Kim Reed. A few hours after the Peace Fair, participants were required to draw a number upon entrance. If they drew a "1," the students were seated at a nice table with a tablecloth, and were fed chicken dinners. If they drew a "2," they were given only chairs and fed a bowl of rice and beans with a glass of water. If they had "3," they had to sit on the floor and were fed rice and water.



Vicky Martinez

Sophomore social science major Kim Reed hosted the Hunger Banquet, presenting statistics and important facts regarding hunger around the world. An empty black table represented the food sources of the poor countries, while at another table a small group enjoyed a warm and plentiful dinner. The Hunger Banquet: Learning through Eating's main purpose was to raise consciousness on the unequal distribution of food and hunger issues.

Reed said, "I think that it made people think and it brought those issues to the forefront."

The second half of the Fair was kicked off on the 26th with guest speaker Pico Iyer, whose speech covered "Globalization and the Food We Eat." Iyer is an accomplished writer who has appeared in publications such as *TIME* magazine and the *New York Review of Books.*

Wrapping everything up was the Intercultural Fair where, participants set up booths of their native countries.

Once set up, students browsed around, tasting different foods, viewing foreign objects and learning more about cultures other than their own. There were also different kinds of entertainment going on, such as African drummers, an international fashion show and salsa dancing.

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> —*Marcy Garcia, coordinator*

"It's mostly for the students," said coordinator Marcy Garcia. "It's their day to share their culture.

"I think by doing this fair people get curious," said Barbara Pfisterer, who helped run the German booth. "They will see things they've never heard of."

"This is a big event for ULV," said Anne Charron, while helping set up the French booth. "We want them to learn about our culture, food, our way of life."

Many people involved with the two-day event all agreed that this was a great way to help promote awareness of different cultures and ways that exist both on and off campus. "It was good to see a lot of the faculty and staff out there," Garcia said.

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ASF Minutes

The Associated Students Federation (ASF) Forum met on Wednesday, May 2, in the ASF conference room to discuss upcoming events, old business and the elections for next year's Forum.

Resolutions

•ASF allocated $300 from activities for prizes for the Fall Semester Survey.

•$1,000 was allocated from advccacy for the ASF benefit show.

•ASF allocated $800 from advocacy to the American Marketing Association for the "Laugh Your Shoes Off" comedy night.

•KULV was allocated $550 from Advocacy for the KULV / ASF karaoke night.

•$1,250 was allocated from advocacy, activities clubs and organizations to fund Kanaka Hui Ohan for their Makahiki 2001.

Re-elections

ASF re-elections for the position of president will be held for the Presidency on Monday and Tuesday, May 7 and 8.

New Forum

ASF's new forum for the Fall semester will be meeting for the first time at Wednesday's meeting at 9 a.m.

Upcoming Events

Makahiki 2000 will be kicking off May 8.

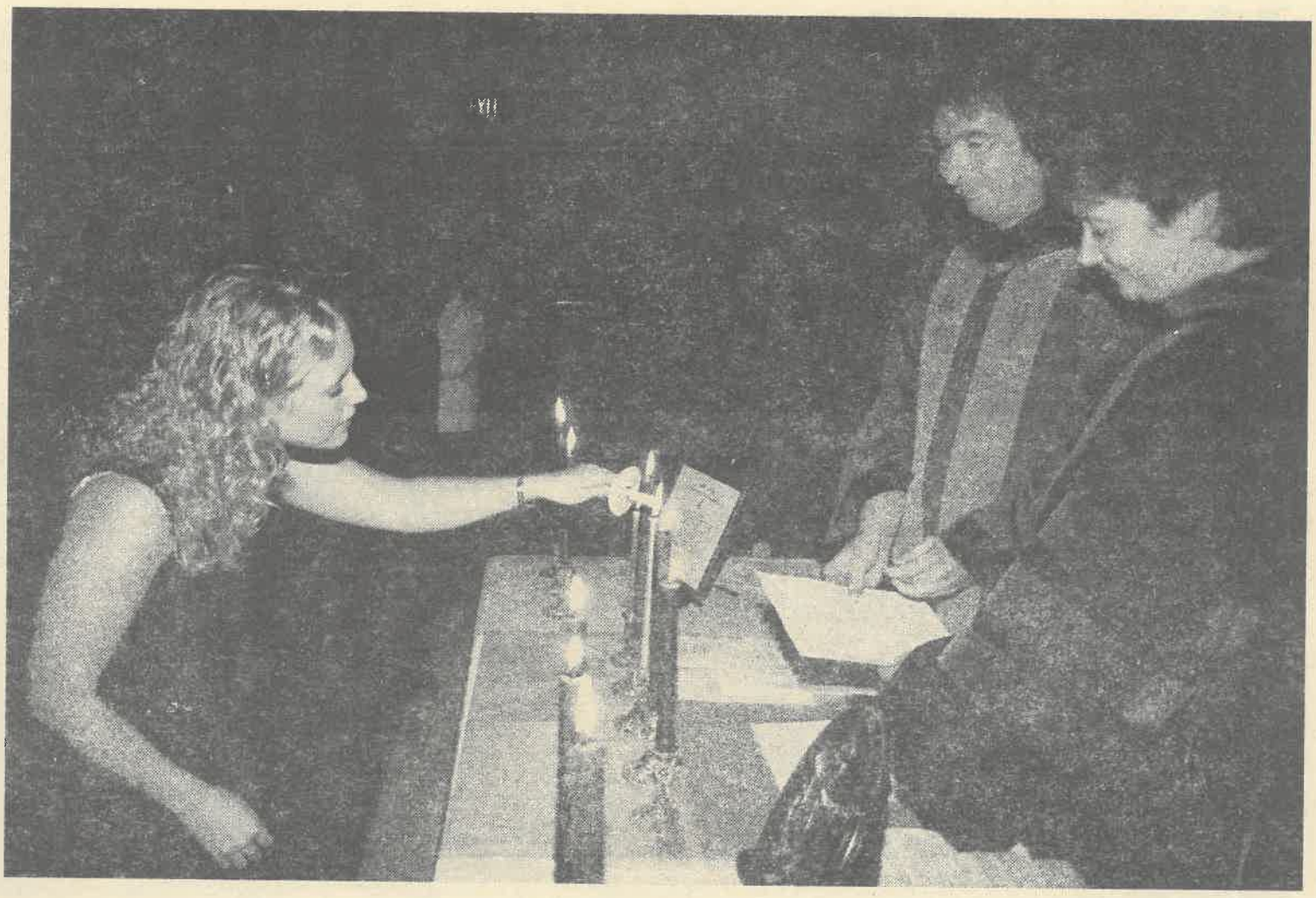
Lead / ASF banquet will take place on May 16.

The ASF banquet will be held Tomorrow in the baseball field parking lot from 2 to 6:30 p.m.

—*Christian A. Lopez*

Honor society seeks national status

Gianina Lomedico
Staff Writer



Liz Lucsko

On April 26, 85 University of La Verne students were inducted into the California Theta Chapter of the Alpha Chi National College Honor Society. Senior Kristie Cargill is initiated through the lighting of a candle, while co-sponsors George Keeler, professor of journalism, and Kathleen Lamkin, professor of music, read the names of Alpha Chi's inductees.

In its second year of operation, Alpha Lambda Delta (ALD) honor society is in the process of gaining accreditation to achieve national status from the national offices in Georgia.

Dorena Wright, associate professor of English and Linda Gordon, off-campus service librarian and assistant professor, are faculty advisers coordinating the process. Barbara Jefferson, assistant dean of school of business and global studies, is the administrative sponsor of the society.

The ALD honor society is for students who obtain a 3.5 grade point average in their first completed year of college.

It was founded in 1924 and has about 600,000 members across the country that includes 225 chapters. This year, 57 students applied at ULV for ALD and 37 were selected to join the honor society.

On Thursday, April 26, ALD held its ceremony for the La Verne Chapter in conjunction with Alpha Chi National College Honor Society to recognize and induct new members to both organizations.

In order to gain accreditation, there are many steps that the honor society needs to accomplish.

After three years of initiating members, the ALD society will be able to petition the national organization.

The ALD society will have to prepare a constitution, have three meetings and elect a slate of officers.

There are many aspects that are required for ALD to be approved for accreditation in the petition process. ULV is currently in the middle of this process.

It will include information about ULV that explains the name of the institution, a brief history of the school, available degrees, the organization that accredits the institution and how the grading system works.

Information about enrollment statistics, history of local organization, the slate of officers, academic criteria, verification to secure student grades and lists of students who have been eligible and accepted.

The petition process also needs signatures to attach to the petition. These signatures include the letter of the president, letter of support advisers, ASF recognition and letter from the dean of students.

"It is important for ULV students to have the opportunity to be recognized for academic achievement by a national organization and to have the same opportunity as other students across the country," said Jefferson.

Jefferson also said why it is important for individuals to be involved with an honor society.

"It is first important to be recognized for their academic achievement. It will provide an opportunity for students who are strong academically to participate in service projects and to be involved with opportunities of leadership development."

Registrar's Office aides students in appeals process

•Process receives review

Cathy Gastelum
Staff Writer

The Registrar's Office has been working on helping students with the editorial process of appeals. Almost every Monday the appeals committee meets to grant or deny appeals.

Ann Brown registrar at the Registrar's Office, said students who are requesting an appeal "[Should] write a letter to the appeals committee that is concise and explaining the situation that brought about the need for the appeal."

The Registrar's Office wants students to give as much detail as possible in their essay and provide documentation when possible depending on the appeal to make the appeal process faster and less timely.

If any questions are left unanswered, the appeal has to be returned to the student and will delay the process.

"A student may appeal final grades, academic honesty decisions, and most policy decisions" as stated in the University of La Verne catalog.

Students may also appeal for dropping a class after the deadline as well as adding a class if one has more than 17 units.

There are various reasons why a student would ask for an appeal, but the reason must first be consulted with a staff member at the Registrar's Office to see if the reason is valid. Students must first fill out an appeal to go request through the process they are given at the Registrar's Office.

Brown said that there are no fees to pay if the appeal is denied, but if it is granted, student must pay $40 to Student Accounts so the Registrar's Office can finish the process.

Some students said that they feel as if they are being discouraged to file for an appeal.

Sophomore Melinda Tetanto said, "I have had bad experiences with the Registrar's Office in the past. They need to do something to improve their system.

"The last time I needed to appeal, the lady in the front discouraged me from appealing, but then stated that it would not hurt me to try the appeal. I also do not agree on paying $40 if my appeal goes through. I find it to be unfair to be paying for a change that at times is their mistake."

Housing ...

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students who desired to live on campus.

They utilized a focus group of 25 students, ranging from seniors to freshman, and even included commuter students, to get their view on what they wanted out of the housing process. She said the triple occupancy room option was the most popular option voted on by the focus group.

"With the focus group we really listened and projected what the students wanted to upper management.

"They chose to have triples rather than have no housing at all. It was more important for them to have a space on campus than no space," she said.

She said once the housing office finished their research they presented it to the senior administration, which included President Stephen Morgan, Phil Hawkey, executive vice president, and Pat Coleman, vice president of enrollment management, who then approved the new housing process.

"We wanted to make it a more simplified system. The process on Saturday went very smoothly," she said. "We got compliments from students who said it was an easy and quick process. It was much better than past years where students literally had to wait and hour or two in line."

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>
> —*Miriam Bueno, senior*

Senior Miriam Bueno, who is living in the Oaks complex said now she will not be returning to campus housing, although she said she was previously planning to live on campus.

"There's barely any room in the dorms as it is," she said, "and I can't imagine them trying to squeeze one more person in here. Plus, why would I want to pay more money for a room that's even more crowded?"

Bueno has concern for the cost of housing, which will go up next semester .

"I'm paying $1,000 a month to live here," she said. "For that amount of money I could get a very nice apartment, have my own place, my own kitchen and my own bathroom. The only convenience [of living here] is you're on campus; but it's really not worth it."

According to Thurman Francisco, the cost for housing has been raised, however up until a few years ago, the price had not changed for seven years. She said compared to other universities, ULV's price is still considerably low.

Students also have the option to live at the Red Roof Inn, which was very popular in previous semesters. Red Roof Inn is offering 20 spaces to ULV students, however those who wish to live there must pay $80 more per month and must have their own mode of transportation.

"Overall I think the reaction from students was really positive," said Thurman Francisco.

Opinions

Minor offenses should not lead to jail

The United States Supreme Court ruled on April 24 that the police have the constitutional right to arrest and handcuff individuals for minor traffic offenses and take them to jail.

The 5-4 ruling upholds the arrest and jailing of Gail Atwater, a Texas mother who was taken into custody because she and her two children were not wearing their seatbelts.

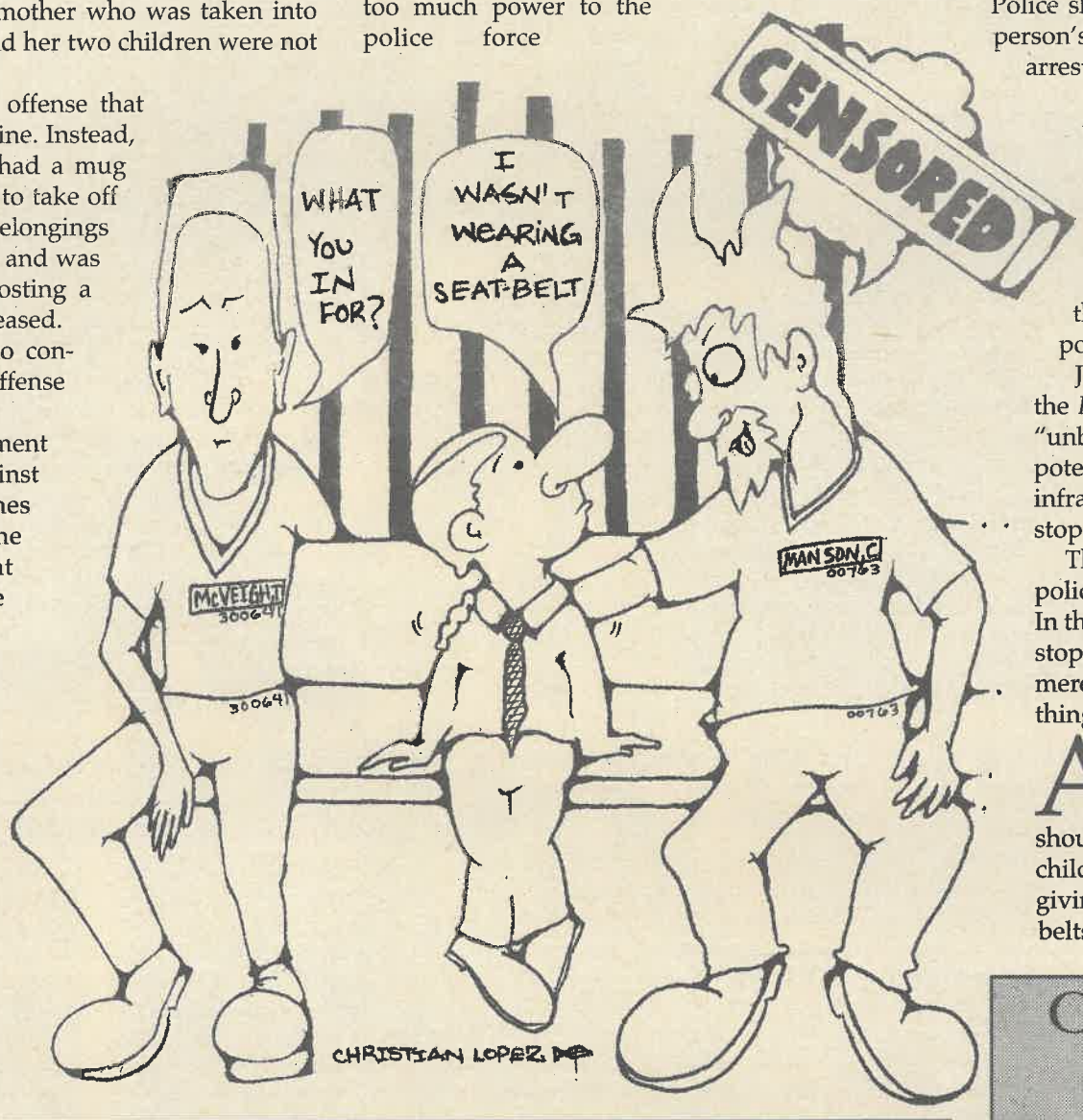
In Texas, this is an offense that constitutes only a $50 fine. Instead, Atwater was booked, had a mug shot taken, was forced to take off all of her personal belongings and empty her pockets and was put in a cell before posting a $310 bond and was released.

She later pleaded no contest to the seat belt offense and paid the $50 fine.

The Fourth Amendment protects the public against unreasonable searches and seizures, but the court ruled that Atwater's rights were not violated.

"The question is whether the Fourth Amendment forbids a warrantless arrest for a minor criminal offense, such as a misdemeanor seat belt violation punishable only by fine. We hold that it does not," Justice David H. Souter wrote for the court majority. The court is basically saying that a person can be arrested for minor traffic offenses if the police officer feels it necessary because of the harm that may result.

If the Fourth Amendment does not forbid this, then what does it forbid? This decision is giving all too much power to the police force that is already condemned for abuse of power. Not only can a person be put to jail for not wearing a seat belt, the police can search a car after pulling it over for a minor offense such as a broken taillight.



Whatever happened to "reasonable cause?" Police should have a legitimate reason to search a person's car and a justified reason to make an arrest.

If a person gets pulled over for a minor traffic offense, they should not have to get out of their car or let an officer search it unless it is obvious that the driver is drunk or has drugs in eyesight.

Vehicles are owned by the citizens that drive them and the police should not have the right to go through a person's private possession.

Justice Sandra Day O'Conner was quoted in the *Los Angeles Times*, saying that giving police "unbounded discretion carries with it the grave potential for abuse. A relatively minor traffic infraction may often serve as an excuse for stopping and harassing an individual."

The more power the Supreme Court gives to police means the less rights that the public has. In the future, we can expect an increase in police stops based on race and superficial reasons merely so that the police can search cars, something that none of us would want to deal with.

A person should not be sent to jail for an offense that would not send them to jail after convicted. Police across the nation should take more time trying to put murderers, child molesters and rapists in jail and stick to giving those of us who forget to put on our seatbelts a mere ticket.

Students need to be responsible

For those who are fortunate enough to have the opportunity to attend a university and for those who see their college years to the end, they are rewarded with not only an education, but also the tools that are necessary to be successful in any profession they choose to pursue after college.

Amongst these tools are responsibility, integrity and fairness. However, actions taken recently by the LEAD program have led students to believe that these tools are not the building blocks of a respectable individual. Rather they are mere obstacles that one must learn to overcome and that fairness is not a word that can be used to describe the LEAD scholarship program.

When applying for a LEAD scholarship, an individual is not only attempting to market themselves to a group of people who will ultimately judge their character and decide whether or not they deserve the scholarship, but also to prove their own responsibility and integrity, qualities that every student should have.

However, that is not the case. At least one LEAD scholarship was awarded to an applicant who failed to meet the application deadline. Not very responsible was it? This is not the type of person that the University should be recognizing. Others who met the deadline were denied. This is not fair.

In order to teach students about responsibility, fairness and integrity, the University needs to practice it as well. Excuses aside, there were requirements to be eligible for the scholarship, and those who did not meet the requirements should not be rewarded with a $5,600 scholarship. Instead, applications should be returned to them with a stamp that reads, "please follow directions."

Perhaps, it would be more beneficial to these students if they used the money from the scholarship to buy themselves a clue, rather than use it toward tuition. Students must follow the rules on their own and in turn, the LEAD program should do the same.

This is college, ladies and gentlemen, and it is time to start acting like it.

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Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor,

After reading the editorial entitled "Military strategies lack attention" [April 27], I found myself perplexed by logical progression of the article. The first sentence read, "It's only been four months into President George W. Bush's administration, and international crises follow one after another." The obvious insinuation that you made was that the recent international incidents were the result of bad judgment on the part of the current president. Perhaps I missed the logic train here, but you failed to demonstrate a connection at all. Rather, you demonstrated the opposite with "These operations have been going on for quite a while" and "Two Americans died because the Peruvians did not listen." The U.S.S. Greenville collision, the spy plane collision and the downing of the plane over Peru were certainly not the result of any policy that President Bush decided upon. These accidents stemmed from ongoing military policies that did not originate in the past four months.

You are entitled to your opinions, but I find that you are really scraping the bottom of the barrel by trying to peg the blame for these unfortunate incidents on President Bush. Your biases need not be so blatantly obvious. Try backing up your insinuations with evidence next time.

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From the Editor...

Incidents common to Vietnam



Alisha Rosas

A little girl running from a napalm raid, monks setting themselves ablaze and numerous massacres are Vietnam War images that have scarred America, her people and wars forever.

Now in 2001, newspapers revealed one more ugly tally mark against the Vietnam War. What I fail to understand is what is shocking about former Nebraska senator and governor Bob Kerrey's recent confession that he ordered the murder of innocent people in Vietnam?

War, in any form, is not pretty. However, Vietnam, from the very beginning, was a different war. It was a war that found its foundation based on a fear factor. The "domino effect" of communism plucked our young men from their homes and sent them into a different world, a world that many were not prepared to enter.

Kerrey was one of those young men 32 years ago. It all began when the 25-year-old Navy lieutenant and his seven-man Navy SEAL team began shooting after they were shot at, at who they assumed were Viet Cong soldiers.

As soldiers approached the aftermath of the raid, they realized that all who were dead were women, children and old men. Kerrey received the Bronze Star for the engagement. Until recently, the truth remained hidden in Kerrey and his fellow men's consciences of the true victims. However, what can only be described as a Vietnam raid gone wrong in the MeKong Delta, is only significant to America now because of Kerrey's political standing.

After all, what do people think happens in war? This incident involving Kerrey is not an isolated one.

Less than two years ago, a group of ex-GIs admitted to killing 300 innocent civilians during the Korean War. For about two weeks, this was big news. The Army investigated, but in the end nothing was done, and people quickly forgot and moved to another leading story.

During the Vietnam War, when a brutal attack made by U.S. Marines on the hamlet of Cam Ne occurred, CBS brought Morley Safer's reports into American homes to reveal the truth.

In 1968, another search-and-destroy mission resulted in a massacre killing of 300 innocent villagers by American soldiers. Lt. William Calley, who led the My Lai attack, spent five years in prison for the 300 murders.

Hundreds of thousands of American men fought in Vietnam, and because of the effects the war had on them, many do not discuss it. Some veterans committed suicide while others removed themselves from society after returning home. Any of the men may have been ordered to maul innocent Vietnamese, others may have witnessed incidents, yet they are not being interviewed everyday.

Revealing the truth behind such an incident only makes members of today's generation shake their heads at what truly went on in Vietnam. It only makes Americans wonder how many other incidents are hidden in the souls of Vietnam Vets, the men who, unlike World War II fighters who were welcomed home, were called baby killers.

I do not believe that Kerrey should give his medal back for his night in Thanh Phong, because Vietnam has never offered any real heroes. It only has brought victims of war into the light. Taking the medal will not change what happened. Besides, Kerrey is not the only Vietnam Vet with regrets. If all were revealed, imagine how many other medals would be taken away from veterans.

Incidents, like Kerrey's, cannot be justified, yet they happen. Americans should not forget that it was this nation's government that sent their sons, brothers and husbands to fight—drafted in babies at the age of 18—who for many, probably did not fully understand why it was they were fighting in the first place. It was the same nation's military that trained its soldiers to survive at whatever the cost.

Soldiers are not trained to think, then shoot. They are trained to survive. If we are not prepared to hear the gruesome stories of how wars can turn good men into monsters, then this country is not one strong enough to accept the consequences of war and has no business involving itself in one again.

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Revenge of the bad movies, will it ever stop?



Jazmine Ponce

With the good come the bad, the lame, and, "What the hell were they thinking?" Raised in the mass-pop culture MTV enriched generation, I am a child of movies and television. In my mind running wild like a rabid hamster wheel is a database of good and bad movies and television shows.

It seems like just when I see a good movie, a string of bad movies appear, filled with all those horrible cookie-cutter decisions that make them bad. Last weekend, I saw one of the lamest teen thrillers ever "The Forsaken," which stars WB star Kerr Smith from god-awful "Dawson's Creek." It revolves around a young man traveling across the country who picks up a hitchhiker who (dum dum DUM) has been bitten by a vampire, but has not fully turned because he takes a bunch of pills and eats bloody steaks. First of all who picks up hitchhikers nowadays? Did he not notice that at the truck stop there were 50-missing person signs?

Oh, and then they pick up a spooky blonde who looks like she is tweaking on crystal meth who screams like a banshee. Of course, she has also been bitten, and bites Smith. So they must find one of the Forsaken vampires, kill him and they will be OK yadda, yadda insert some blood and whack dialogue and you have got "Forsaken." Aside from, well everything, I was appalled by how many times I had to see that stupid blonde's breasts. Seriously the movie's first scene is of the blonde taking a bloody shower. Umm, I am sorry, did I just walk into "Teenage Cheerleader Sluts Chainsaw Massacre?" I think not! It seems that everywhere this girl went, she went topless. Another thing that made no sense was these vampires have been around since the Crusades and yet they choose to travel around in a run down rickety jalopy where they hid in the trunk during the daylight. I mean if you have been around that long you would find a little place to settle down make a lair, hire some smart minions, you know, what any sane vampire would do.

Then there are TV shows that, like car wrecks, you must watch. Does "Caroline in the City" and "Suddenly Susan" ring a bell? They were on TV for like four years, how the hell did that happen? This is how they went; Susan: blah blah blah (laugh track), then of course some wackiness insued. Sorry, static is more enthralling.

Plus, there are those saccharin gooey cavity-inducing shows that are suppose to show children with real values like "Seventh Heaven." It's about a pastor and his seven children (yes seven) who are all so sweet they help people learn a life lesson every week and have a dog named Happy. Can someone make my dentist appointment now? If the WB makes one more drama about real teens in college like "Felicity," I might as well spew right now. Each episode follows the same pattern; Felicity: I love Ben. I hate Ben. Does Ben love me? Does he hate me? Woe is me? Look here is all my problems, sprinkle in a pinch of dorm life, a dash of multicultural co-stars and you got a piping hot episode of "Felicity." For a girl who is enrolled in college, she sure never makes it to class. Sometimes I wonder who watches these shows religiously filled with disastrous plot lines and bad acting.

No matter how many good movies or TV shows, the bad will always come because like the dreaded feline, we are so curious we will plop down the $7.50 and we will regret it. I do it all the time. As long as we keep watching the bad will just keep coming so invest in the good.

Those who are sick of the bad I suggest watching the good; "Gilmore Girls," "The X-files," "Buffy the Vampire Slayer," "Will & Grace" and "Law & Order."

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With time, experience dissolves insecurities



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Who would have imagined that after a year and a half of *Campus Times*, I would be sad to leave the newspaper. This is my last semester on the newspaper, and now as I look back, I am glad that I had the opportunity to experience this endeavor. Like many of my fellow classmates know, when I started in the spring of 2000, I hated it.

I can remember my advising appointment and my adviser Eric Bishop telling me that as a journalism major, I would obviously have to write on the school's newspaper. After trying to find loopholes out of it, I registered for Newspaper Production I.

I can still remember coming in and hating being confined in the small news room. How ironic, looking back at it now, I feel like I live here.

I used to hate to come in and read on Thursdays. I would come in and read my required three stories and get out. I did only what was asked of me.

My problem with the newspaper was the fact that I felt that I did not believe my writing was adequate enough to be published. I can remember reading the newspaper and feeling mediocre compared to the other students who were being published.

I used to admire the staff writers who could write their stories in such a short amount of time. I used to hate how when I would write my stories, they would take me forever.

The only reason I majored in journalism was so that I could be in competition with the potential law students applying to prestigious law schools. I never took journalism seriously because I perceived it to be a struggling career that did not promise anything.

I now know this is not true. In fact, hanging out in the *Campus Times*' news room, I began to feel comfortable with the people there, which helped me feel more comfortable with my writing ability. I started to see that the people in the news room were not in competition, but were there to help.

As a journalism major, newspaper production is mandatory for two semesters. At the end of my first semester, I started to admit to myself that the newspaper was not that bad. The next advising meeting I had with EB, there was no hassle in regard to me registering for the newspaper.

I enjoyed being on the newspaper so much, that I ended up applying for an editorial position for the next semester. I would have never thought in a million years, I would want to be a part of creating a newspaper that students read. I also met two friends on staff who have made my junior year a blast.

I realized stories assigned to me were no longer difficult or "impossible" for me to write. I actually did not mind interviewing people for my stories anymore. I also acquired the ability to write my stories within a short amount of time. I really grew to enjoy being in the *Campus Times' news* room.

As the year is coming to an end, I am sad that I wasted time and never really gave it a chance. Now at the end, when I am truly enjoying it, my time is done. I am happy with my time at the newspaper because in the end I learned a lot about myself and what the career has to offer.

I learned that the staff and editors in the *Campus Times* are one big family. I am happy that although I will no longer be on staff, I can still hang out in the *Campus Times* room. I have also created memories within the department that will last a lifetime.

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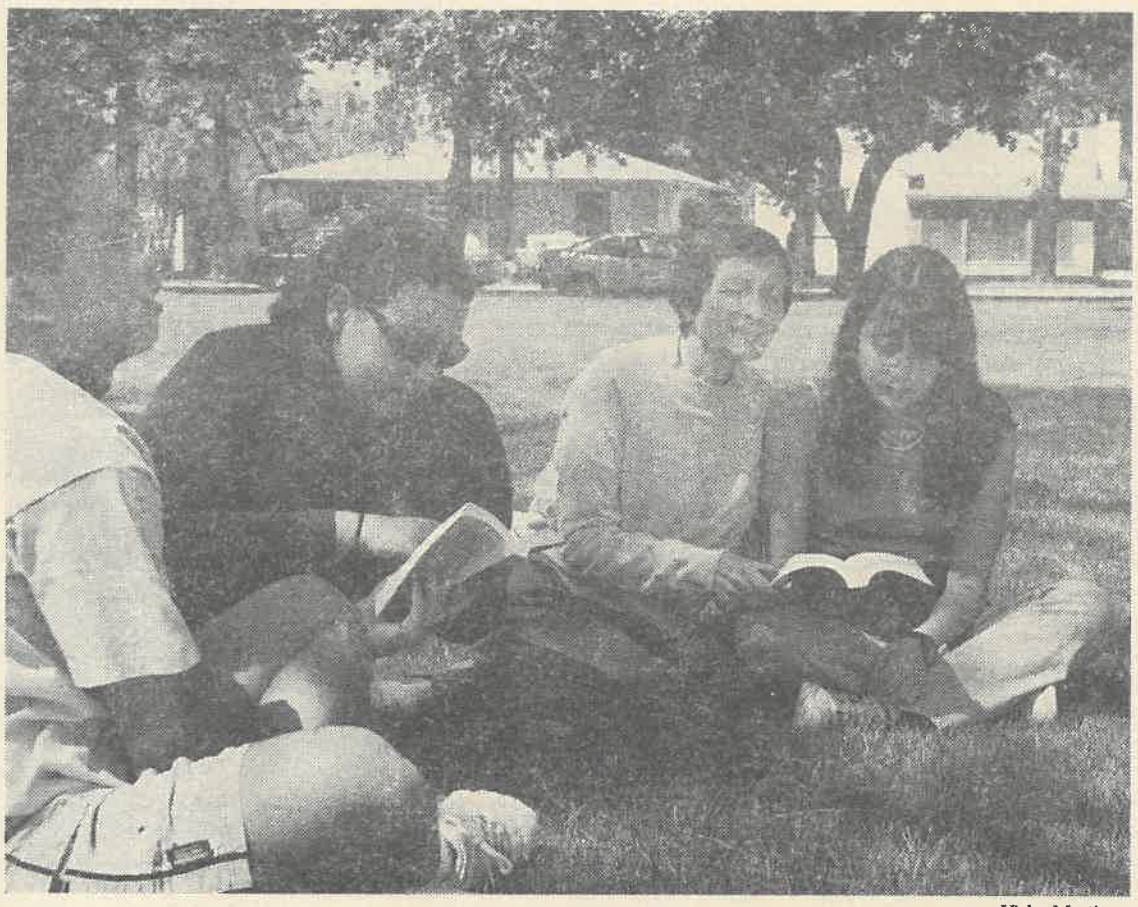
Newman Club makes ULV debut



Vicky Martinez

The Catholic Campus Minister, Sister Margaret Devlin (second from right), will be advising the Newman Club to strengthen the faith of ULV's Catholic fellowship. Danny Maria, a freshman biology major; Monica Caloya, a sophomore biology major; and Reynard Nivera, a freshman chemistry major, are some of the new members of this organization. The club meets in the Chapel on Mondays at 1 p.m. and Wednesdays at noon.

•Club aims to provide growth

Danielle Pashone
Staff Writer

There is a new organization on campus called the Newman Club which offers individual growth.

This spring marked the beginning of the Newman Club, ran by Catholic students, and inspired by the acts of Cardinal John Newman.

The Newman Club focuses on the whole person—the growth of an individual in a spiritual, emotional, and intellectual sense. The second goal of the Newman Club is to reach out and serve those in the ULV community as well as surrounding communities through service activities and retreats.

The Newman Club is intended for Catholic students, however, everyone is welcome to come and participate.

"So far we have a core group of 12 very enthusiastic students," said Sister Margaret Devlin.

"We are still trying to get other members, because about 40 percent of the students here are Catholic," said Devlin.

The Newman Club also participates with other universities which have a Newman Clubs on their campus, such as Cal State Long Beach, Cal State Northridge, Cal State Los Angeles and Cal Poly Pomona.

The Newman Club recently ran a food drive for the poor, and is always participating in different service activities.

"The Newman Club is here to provide fellowship, community, and fun in a Christian atmosphere," said Devlin.

The club was named after Cardinal Newman who wanted to educate the whole person toward individuality. Newman was a searcher all his life and went through many struggles before he became Catholic. Newman was an admirable and educated man, and his beliefs are what the Newman Club is based on.

His book "Idea of a University," promotes an alliance of the life and of the mind and the life of faith.The first ever Catholic club named after him was at the University of Oxford in 1878 called The Newman Society.

Students interested in joining the Newman Club are welcome to join at any time during the semester, there will also be opportunities to join next fall.

In order to join, students must go to the University Chapel and fill out an application.

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> *—Sister Margaret Devlin*

Drug use...

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his roommate.

In 2000, 6 percent of 12th graders used marijuana on a daily basis, which is a drastic increase from 1994's 3.6 percent usage rate, according to NIDA.

Believing that the college experience promotes his addiction as "typical," he has learned to believe that it is very difficult to avoid drug use while earning an education.

For him, college has gone beyond the average "time of learning and time for growth" phase, and has developed into a test of his character.

While his use of marijuana has expanded to more lethal drugs such as speed, ecstasy, acid and cocaine, he said he believes that it was his involvement with marijuana that led to his progression, and that marijuana is ultimately the "gateway" drug.

"Once you are brought into the world of drug use, other drugs will follow. It's like, 'Hey, you like getting high? Try this,' " he said. "I don't think that a lot of people can say that they have only smoked weed."

Having experienced other drugs, he recalls his first experience with acid. "I've never been so scared in my life. I thought that I lost my mind. I was inside myself I felt, and it was scary. I was talking to myself but it was a different me."

Fearing mental and physical repercussions of "harsher" drugs, he decided that his involvement with drugs would be on a "marijuana-use only" basis.

This decision was spawned from his previous experience with acid and his realization that relying on drugs to "broaden your horizons" is completely irresponsible and unnecessary.

"What I've seen with my friends here is that they start with weed and move on. It depends on the person and how they feel about themselves," he said.

"I personally feel that any form of drug use is bad, I think people should try to stay away from it."

"He has a motivation to succeed and he sees the problems that arise from the use of drugs and recognized it," his roommate said. "I think it's possible in situations that he might find himself in a conflict, I think that it is always possible to go back but I think he has seen enough and has made enough progress that he will have no desire to."

While claiming to have found a new sense of strength, both he and his roommate believe that his life will move on in a more positive manner. Although he admits that it will not be entirely easy to move in a more positive direction, he believes that it is an important decision that has to be made, and that it is a decision that most adolescents have to and will face.

Every day adolescents are faced with decisions that will ultimately define their character and shape their future existence.

Issues about insecurity and identity only make dealing with these decisions harder for them, and with no place to turn to but their peers, many of them succumb to the use of drugs as a means to be part of something, perhaps a greater whole.

According to NIDA, most marijuana users were attracted to the drug because of either peer pressure, or the belief that it would offer them an escape from problems at school or home.

Driven by feelings of low self worth and a desire to make their problems disappear, adolescents find drug use as a means to an end of the pain; however they have yet to make the realization that with every decision, there are repercussions.

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Avilés directs time at ULV in stride

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Staff Writer



Lauren Wooding

Since July, Daniel Avilés has been at the University of La Verne through the Brethren College Abroad student exchange program. Avilés is a student at the Universidad San Francisco de Quito in Ecuador and will return home in May. He is a film major with a minor in broadcasting and has a weekly radio show on KULV.

He has long curly hair, glasses, a backpack and a huge smile. he carries himself with a slender body, a kind face and a determined stride.

Behind the camera, on the air or at the movies, thousands of miles from home and itching to get back, junior film major Daniel Avilés will return home in six weeks after his University of La Verne experience.

Avilés, a native of Ecuador, has spent the last academic year at ULV and describes his experience here as, "one of the worst and best years of my life".

He sat in a familiar atmosphere to Avilés—the KULV room. There he sat amongst his peers and amongst his work, and it is there that Avilés shared his thoughts on life, experience and the best and worst year of his life.

"It has been the worst—lets begin with the worst part—because I'm really attached to my family and friends back home and the change has been tough for me. I mean, the last 20 years I studied over there with the same people, so it was kind of abrupt to go away for a year, even though it was just for a year, " he said.

Avilés comes from a family of five. He is the oldest of three children. But aside from that, he comes from a culture that is very "Americanized," so the culture shock of Southern California was not as great as the shock of being away from his family and friends.

"In Latin America, we're really influenced by the culture. Here, we're really influenced by the movies, media, clothing, McDonalds, TGI Fridays, we've got all that stuff over there. But in some way, I feel I had to adjust myself to another way of thinking in some things," said Avilés.

To sum up his experience, Avilés went on to describe why his ULV experience has been one of the best of his life.

"I've learned a lot. I learned things from doing my laundry, I'd never done it before, to directing multi-camera productions, to working on the radio; all this stuff I'd never done before. Academically, it's been a real good year, I've learned a lot. I've learned a lot from people, from the way they work here.

"And I've learned a lot about myself, which is real good, you know, my strengths and weaknesses. Getting to know all the people here, the diverse group of people here has been great. It's been a valuable experience," he said.

How does one from Ecuador find a small town school like ULV? Avilés came from the Universidad San Francisco de Quito, which is the capital of Ecuador. He found La Verne through the Brethren Colleges Abroad (BCA) Program. He was offered a full scholarship to study in America. Being a film major, Avilés was intrigued by Southern California and Hollywood. Since La Verne is in close reach of the movie industry, Avilés chose ULV out of the many choices he had.

In his time here at ULV, Avilés has been pursuing his minor in television broadcast to compliment his major in film. His involvement in the ULV communications department has helped make his experience here a beneficial and memorable one.

"I think that the Communications Department has a really unique opportunity for students here, which is to work hands on. Because if you go to USC or UCLA, those are big schools and in order to get in touch with radio or television you have to wait until your junior year. Here it's not like that, you come here and you can direct. I've been here for one year and I've directed seven shows! If I'm a foreigner and I can do that, people from here should value that opportunity more," said Avilés.

The Communications Department, more specifically the television broadcast program, praises Avilés and his experience and all the time and effort he has put into his work with the department during his time here.

"When you get a student as creative and hardworking as Daniel, that's the kind of student you want in your program. If he wanted to stay, we would have gone to administration and arranged to get it done. But he seemed to want to go home. But he will get an award at Academic Awards night. He set a record for how many productions a student has worked on. He has worked on 21 productions. Twenty-one shows is a lot," said Don Pollock, professor of communications.

Pollock continued to commend Avilés on his work.

"He comes from a film school in Ecuador so he has a lot of experience. Usually when the international students come, we have them start in the beginning classes, but we told him, 'You should be in advanced.' He's a great student. We love having him here. We are sad that he is going back to Ecuador. We love him."

Avilés is a person who knows what he wants. He has a clear mind about his future and his career goals.

"First I want to get my degree in film back at home and my minor in TV broadcast. Then I plan to work for three to four years and save some money. Then I'm going to apply for a new scholarship through a government agency [Department of States Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs] called the Fullbright Commission," said Avilés.

"They have offices in Ecuador and offer 10 scholarships a year for master's [degrees], and they offer really good programs so I want to save some money and I want to get that scholarship and come back to the U.S. and get my master's in film, or if not, I'll apply somewhere else and go to Europe to study film. Long term I want to be a director/producer and eventually own my own production company," said Avilés.

Along with knowing what he wants, Avilés is also a person who enjoys life and all of its activity. When comparing Ecuador to California, Avilés said that the two places are very different but that he is able to find his way in any surrounding.

"California is place built for cars, not people. You see less people walking in California, than driving. That's why radio is so popular! Since I don't have a car like [I did] back home, I'm pretty much attached to where people will take me. There are many places in California I would like to visit but I cannot go because they are far away from here, but I've managed myself to be in different places," he said.

Avilés is actively involved in the International Student Organization (ISO). Through this organization, Avilés has been able to travel with the group on their organized trips for the international students.

"I've been to Vegas, San Diego, Tijuana and other places with the ISO. But I haven't been a tourist here, I've been locked in La Verne and it's not a great city to be locked in—it's not Boston! So I go to Edwards Cinema a lot, I go into Old Town La Verne, I get coffee, I do my laundry. Yeah, it's a funny life for all, man," said Avilés.

Avilés describes his home of Ecuador to be a place where he can enjoy certain luxuries that he misses here in La Verne.

"Well in Ecuador I have a car, so I can go wherever I want. I have a bigger group of friends, my girlfriend is in Ecuador," said Avilés.

Being away from home and away from loved ones is an ordeal that Avilés has had to face on his trip. He expresses that he has had the hardest time with dealing with being away from his girlfriend.

"Yeah, I have a girlfriend. I feel it's tougher being away from her than being away from my family. Sometimes you feel like throwing in the towel. You say, 'I can't deal with this long-distance relationship stuff,' but then you come back to what you have chosen and you have the strength to get through it. I saw her in January, and in five weeks I'll be home again. I miss her a lot," said Avilés.

Like anywhere, there are always different conditions to different surroundings. Avilés talks about what he does in Ecuador with what is in Ecuador.

"It [Quito] is the capital, but it's still a small city for me. What do I do when I'm home? I work a lot. This major is really time consuming if you're really into it. I work on campus and off campus. So when I have free time I go to the movies a few times a week. I can't do that here, it's too expensive! It's like $8, over there it's like $1.50.

"In Ecuador we have more sit-in cafes, so I go to those. I go to the theatres, and museums. Being a film major I'm more into the art community, and I have a lot of artist friends. I like to dance, but I'm not a clubber. I prefer small at-home 'fiestas.' And I'm not an athlete, but sometimes I play soccer, racquetball or tennis," said Avilés.

Avilés, like many college students carries with him a broad spectrum of interests and hobbies. His greatest hobby of all is one that has come to consume his life.

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Frantz + ULV = perfect equation

•Professor shares love for ULV

Tim Tevault
Staff Writer

Upon entering the office of Michael Frantz, one's eyes would not be drawn to a particular object, but instead would furiously race from one eccentricity to the next.

On the left, there is a dry erase board filled with math equations in progress. To the right, there is a shelf that reaches from floor to ceiling filled with books. On the desk in the middle of the room are numerous knick-knacks surrounding stacks of papers.

On the computer screen are numerous neon yellow post-it notes. Behind the desk, on the window sill, are house plants. On the floor are even more stacks of papers. It is the kind of office that can rightfully earn the title "lived in," and it is obvious that it has been occupied for quite some time.

Before Frantz began teaching at the University of La Verne roughly 18 years ago, he was a student here when the University was still called La Verne College.

Raised in the towns of Des Moines, Iowa and Naperville, Illinois (where he graduated high school), Frantz came to a crossroads in his life. After finishing high school a year early in 1973, his main choices for furthering his education were schools in Kansas, which he was not too fond of, and Indiana, which was too close to home. So, after talking with his high school counselor who referred him to ULV, he ended up in California that fall.

A main reason Frantz enjoyed ULV was because of its pass/fail system. The University had not yet adopted the traditional grading system used now. He came to ULV for one reason: education. Nothing else really mattered to him.

Here, Frantz once again began soaking up knowledge, taking challenging courses such as German and logic, and also took a real interest in math. He took full loads practically every semester and was also able to pull off a college degree in mathematics (with two minors in computer science and German) in three years, just as in high school. This was a big deal because he was able to save his parents a year's cost of tuition.

"I was actually only here on campus for five semesters," he said. His final semester was spent at Argon National Laboratory in Illinois, participating in the Undergraduate Research Fellowship Program where he spent three months working in the Applied Math division.

Getting his degree in math seemed to be a given for Frantz. "We tend to gravitate toward areas that we find relatively easy," he explained. "Math has always been easy for me; it's always been fun. I didn't even have to really think much about doing problems that other kids had to struggle with."

"I remember in high school, there were four of us who sat in the back corner of the room and all of us aced all of the tests and the teacher realized that pretty quickly and basically we'd just sit back there and talk quietly amongst ourselves and fly paper airplanes out the window and all kinds of crazy things. He [the teacher] didn't care because he knew it didn't matter if we paid any attention to him at all because we were going to get 100s on the tests," he recalled.

However, trying to discover what he wanted to do in life did not come as easily as math did to him. "When I went to college here, I had no idea what my major was going to be," he said.

The turning point was in his junior year in a computer class. The teacher was going to be gone for a couple of days and asked Frantz to run the class while he was gone. "The students seemed to get it a lot faster from me," he said. "There were times when I saw a light come on; this student finally got a complicated concept and I was doing it in such a way where they finally understood it.

"It was that sort of feeling of seeing the light come on when you finally get something through to somebody like that made me decide that this is what I want to do; I want to teach," he explained. "And it was at that point right then basically I made the career decision to teach."

After making that life decision, Frantz decided to pursue an advanced degree to start teaching mathematics.

"After I graduated from here, I'd had it with the smog," he said. "It was much worse back then. On a bad day you'd go out and ride your bicycle for a mile and it hurt to breathe for the next three hours."

So off Frantz went to the University of New Hampshire to pursue a master's degree. "I went from one coast to the other." There he stayed in a 300-year old farmhouse in an added wing, three miles from town. He commuted from the farmhouse to school and back-- but not in a conventional way. "I could either walk to school through the woods or in the winter time I could cross-country ski," he said.

Frantz remained at UNH for two years, until he grew weary of the lack of applied math they were using there. "I got tired of beating my head against the wall for some really esoteric problems," he said. "Most of the time when I was working at that level, the concepts that we were working with meant absolutely nothing to anybody outside of an advanced math degree."

So he left UNH and applied to Wichita State for a teaching job. He was subsequently hired in the fall of 1978 (at the age of 22) and remained there until the spring of 1983, where he taught subjects such as college algebra and multidimensional calculus.

A main reason Frantz left WSU was fate. His former calculus teacher from ULV, Al Herbst, was sitting a row behind him at a conference. The two got to talking and Herbst mentioned how he was getting ready to retire and offered Frantz his job. This was a great opportunity for Frantz.

"La Verne was always the kind of place that I decided long ago that I would like to teach at someday because of the culture, the family feeling, the way in which faculty interacted with students. I had some great professors," he proclaimed.

One year later, Frantz got the call telling him Herbst was retiring and they wanted to interview him for for the position. He flew out there ready to take the job. "The last time the people at the college had seen me, I had hair down to the middle of my back and they didn't quite know what to expect," he said jokingly. "As it turned out, they liked what I did and they hired me."

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But before starting to teach at his alma mater, Frantz and his other long-haired friend at the time took a bike ride from Peoria, Ill., to Fresno, Calif. "It was a nice trip, took about three months," he said. "We averaged close to a hundred miles a day."

However, he ran into trouble during the trip. "I found out that eastern Utah is pretty conservative, putting it mildly," he chuckled. While camping out on the side of the road one night during the trip, a cop pulled up along side their tent and told them that if they didn't leave town within 15 minutes, he'd have them in jail and their hair cut off. Frantz said that they were out of there in no time.

Upon starting work in the fall of 1983, Frantz was given courses like advanced engineering math, calculus and vector calculus to teach. "That was a pretty heavy load for a first-time teacher," he said.

After all, in addition to teaching a full load at ULV, Frantz was pursuing a doctorate. in applied mathematics at Claremont Graduate University and all the while trying to help maintain a family with his wife Suzanne (who worked at WSU as a math department secretary) and their daughter Melissa (currently a sophomore at UCI). They later had a son, Chris, who is now a freshman at Claremont High School.

"That was very rough; there were many, many nights I'd be up till three in the morning with a combination of paper grading from work and doing homework myself to turn in to my professors," said Frantz.

Despite the challenges life threw his way, Frantz maintained his cool. Although, he had this advice, "Anyone who is going to go through this process of getting a degree—get the degree first, and then get a family." He says that he gave up way too much time from his family to spend on his studies.

Because of all of the other events going on in his life, he had to spread his time at CGU over a course of ten years. In 1994, he finally earned his Ph.D.

All in all, Frantz is enjoying his time at ULV.

"If you could take this school and lift it up and transport it maybe to southwest Colorado or Idaho or Montana, I'd love it even more. That would be ideal," he said.

The students are another factor that help make his job enjoyable. Last year, Frantz was the recipient of the "You Make a Difference Award," offered to him by the senior class of last year. "That really touched me," he said.

In addition to teaching, Frantz enjoys a good game of volleyball. When he first began teaching, himself and fellow math professor Rick Simon started a three-time-a-week volleyball scrimmage in the Old Gym, open to anyone and everyone. It was a time to let loose on the court. The tradition was going on strong until this year, when everyone started to get very busy, and the games had to be cut down to once or twice a week.

He also enjoys his co-workers. "In finding another department and group of people like this at some other school would be a low probability," he commented. "This is a very special group of people here."

Avilés...

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"Movies! That's my hobby. I can watch movies I love over and over again. I can spend hours in a theatre. For me, movies combine all forms of art. I love art. Art is the last resort for human beings.

"I like to read too. I used to read philosophy, now I'm becoming an adult and I'm becoming stupid with aging. I don't understand philosophy anymore. I read literature now," said Avilés.

Moving along a trend of interests in the art world, Avilés expresses his feelings about his second greatest passion, music.

"Music is one of my interests. Besides movies it's one of the only things that touches me on a different level. And it also frustrates me; I'll never be a musician. I like all sorts of music, from Spanish rock to Bjork and Portishead. From trip-hop to jungle to just rock. I like ska, reggae, and classical music.

"You know I was raised with so many influences and coming here just reinstates that. California is just like that, you go into McDonalds and you eat a hamburger with the world. I really think that. People take that for granted here. There is so much diversity here. People are taking it for granted, and it's a really cool thing," said Avilés.

At the end of the day and at the end of the road, Avilés must return home. However, one can not spend nine months in a place like Southern California and not take something back.

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"Coming here, I wanted to learn a lot and in that process become one of the best at what I do. I wanted to prove to myself that I can do it, even if it's not my language, not my place, not my people. I had to start my life in a new place and I wanted to prove that I could, and do it really good. I've tried to do it. I don't know if I've succeeded or not. I guess I will see that later. I also wanted to prove that people from small countries or underdeveloped countries can still make a good thing. I've started to like my country more now that I've been here. When I was there, I would say I wanted to leave. I didn't want to be in that place. Now that I've left, I just want to go back.

"In going back though I will take with me a strong sense of work and the organization of work and the discipline and respect that goes along with that. I'm also taking with me good friendships. I've met really good people. And I'm going to carry a lot of stuff back. You know, when you're in California, you buy a lot of stuff. I've increased my CD collection, my wardrobe [and] I have a stack of ticket stubs," said Avilés.

Avilés' experience will be marked by all of his encounters and experiences. For Avilés, the memory that will stick out most is a person, his friend Enrique Gutierrez.

"I wish we could have more people like him at home. We have a lot in common. We are both Latin, we like the same music, we speak the same language. We just have a connection. I really value our friendship and I hope he feels the same way.

He is one of my best friends. We're very close. From the first time I saw him, I knew we would get along pretty well," said Gutierrez. "As our friendship grows stronger and stronger it gets tougher to see him leave. Sometimes, I wish we didn't get along so well because it would be easier. I learned a lot from him. Hopefully, we can keep our friendship going."

"Another person I'll remember is my

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Goines maintains jovial atmosphere

Angelique B. D'Silva
Arts & Entertainment Editor



Jen Newman

After retiring from the Human Resources Department at Ford Motor Company, Roy Goines decided to share his 22 years of experience in the business world with the students of La Verne.

"HELLO!" is the standard greeting Roy Goines, adjunct professor of business, emphasizes to state the obvious to his students so that they recognize the importance of how business affects everyone.

Goines was born January 3, 1938 in Boursville, W. Va in a family of five sisters and two brothers.

Goines attended Marshall University on a football scholarship where he received his bachelor's degree in accounting. After school he realized he did not want to pursue a job as an accountant. He later pursued a master's degree at the University of Detroit in business administration.

The beginning of his success started with the Ford company in 1967, where he was allowed to utilize the degrees he earned. He stated that he enjoyed working with Ford because of the ability to invest at the company's expense by using the company's various stock options. Goines retired from Ford's human resource department in 1988.

Goines is a very influential man to his field and in the education spectrum has always had a love for teaching.

Since 1960, Goines first experience with teaching was during his time in the Army. After the Army, he continued teaching while also holding a position in Ford. Goines has taught at Wayne State University, Wayne County Community College, University of Detroit, Lawrence Institute of Technology and Cuya Hoga Community College.

In 1988, Goines and his family relocated to California. He came to the University of La Verne in 1990 when he heard about an opening. His accountant told Goines he was too young to retire, and suggested he apply for a teaching position at ULV. He went on to tell Goines that ULV would benefit from his degrees and work experience. So he went to ULV, and received the job that same day.

"I enjoy teaching," said Goines. "It's always been on an adjunct basis," because he likes to teach his classes and leave.

Goines states that he loves teaching because the students keep him young.

"The administration is a very enlightened administration. They see the value of using someone who has experience in the industry and they allow you to teach in areas that are of your expertise. They allow you to bring the business experience into the educational environment and mix the two in an effort to educate the students with respect with what's happening in the world," said Goines.

Goines teaches Human Resource Management, Introduction to Business and Economics, as well as Principles of Management and Business Management.

Goines' states that his students enjoy his classes because, "I bring the real world into the classroom and I don't allow anyone to feel uncomfortable in my class. I do my darnest not to intimidate anyone, and I try to pull everyone into discussion," he said.

'The valuable asset that I bring to the class is a real world experience that is superimposed over the book.'

—Roy Goines

"He's got style, " said senior Richie Hoeft.

"I don't allow students to call me 'Mr.'" They would be less open in my class. He said he feels that students would be intimidated with the title and degrees behind him. "My effectiveness would dwindle."

"He's a real asset to the school of business," said Claudio Muñoz, associate professor of accounting.

"I think when you encourage them [students] to have comments whether they are right or wrong, when you find a way of appreciating whatever comments they've made then you relax the student to the point where they are loose and they say whatever they want to say in class, because they'll know that you will appreciate it and want to hear it," Goines said.

"The valuable asset that I bring to the class is a real world experience that is superimposed over the book," he said.

In his free time he said he plays cards and runs a bridge game at the San Dimas community center every Thursday.

"I have at least two bridge games every week and at least one pinochle game every week, and I usually find some time every week to go to the racetrack," said Goines.

Arts & Entertainment

Entertainment Briefs

Cinco de Mayo

There will be a Pinata Party tonight sponsored by KULV. The party will give students the opportunity to win a scooter and more.

Benefit Show

Tomorrow's Free Benefit Show that will help the Union Rescue Mission is sponsored by the Associated Students Federation (ASF) Forum and ACTIVE. The show will have a raffle to win a new snowboard. Students are asked to bring donations between 2-6:30 p.m to the 2nd Street parking lot.

Greek Week

•The All-Greek barbecue and softball tournament will be held tomorrow at 2:30 p.m. The event will take place at Ben Hines Stadium.

•The Greek Olympics will be held in Ortmayer Stadium from Monday noon to 2 p.m.

•Letter Day will be occurring Tuesday from 9:30 a.m. to noon. The event will feature an ice cream eating contest.

•Students are welcomed to attend a bowling night at Chaparral Lanes on Wednesday, May 9. The event starts at 9 p.m.

•A game of Family Feud will be hosted in the Quad, Thursday, May 10 at 2 p.m.

Movie Releases

"The Mummy Returns," starring Brendan Fraser and The Rock, opens tonight.

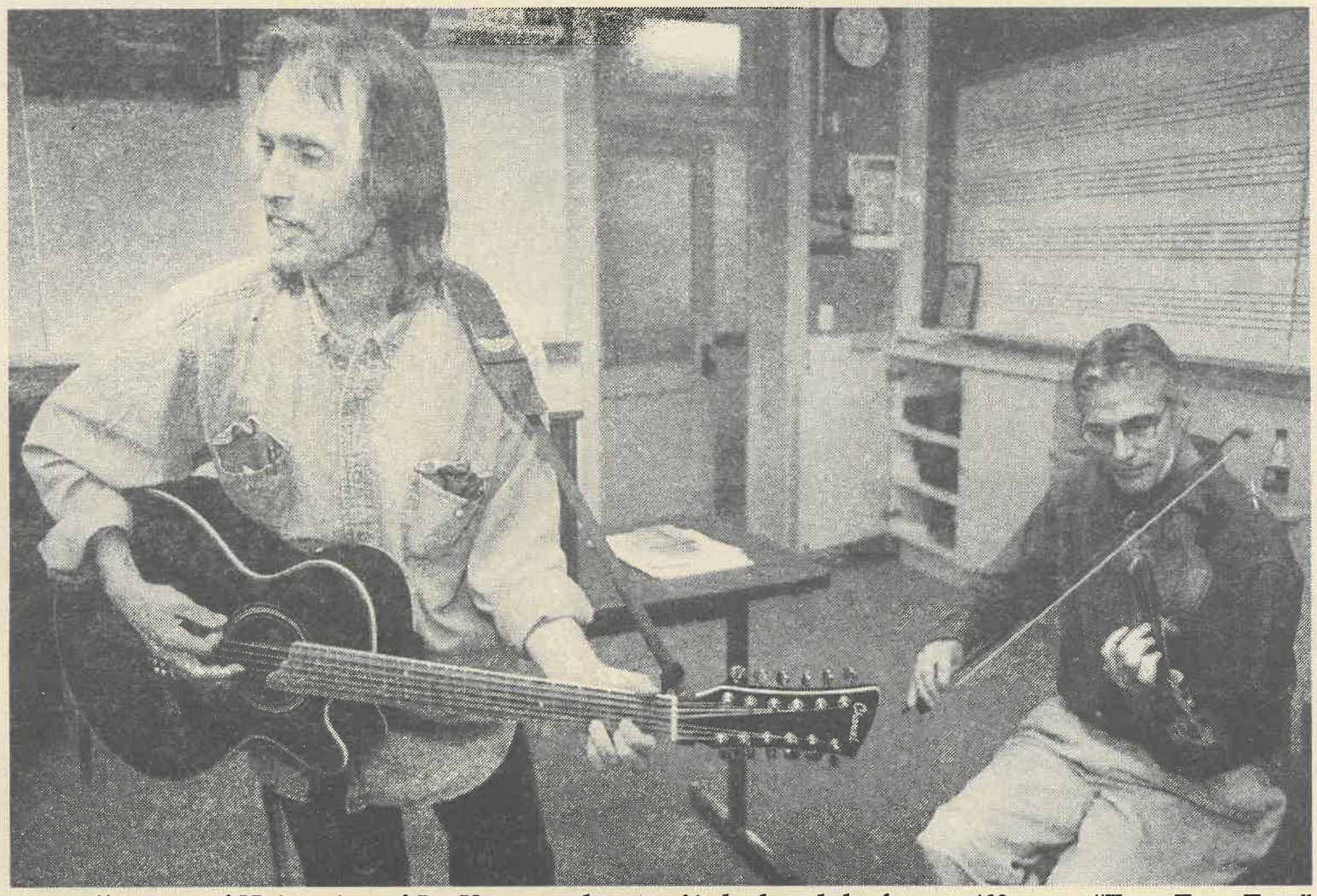
Exhibit

"Buster Keaton," a collection of rare and unseen photos of the original king of comedy, is being featured at the Academy of Motion Pictures Arts and Sciences. For more information call, at (310) 247-3000.

—Angelique B. D'Silva

York reminisces on Folk music of '60s, '70s

by Christine Owen
photography by Liz Lucsko



A small group of University of La Verne students gathered in Founders Hall 22 for a lecture and performance by former Byrds band member John York. York played the famous '60s song "Turn, Turn, Turn" with music professor David Brock (left) Monday night.

Familiar tunes filled the air on Monday when John York, former member of the The Byrds, sang and discussed issues from the '60s with David Brock's American Music class.

In addition to performing with the international folk-rock group the Byrds, York has worked with groups such the Mamas and the Papas, Sir Douglas Quintet, Johnny Rivers, the Flying Burrito Brothers, Lightnin' Hopkins and Dr. John.

"The nice thing about John coming in and talking about the music of the '60s and '70s is that he knows something about it," Brock said to his class.

Fliers around the University of La Verne campus advertised that all students, faculty and staff were invited to attend, however nine members of Brock's class were the only guests. The small gathering did not deter York from sharing his experiences and thoughts about the '60s with the students. One aspect he discussed was the kind of music that came from that time period.

"The only way to get a reference on any period of music is you have to kind of look at what came before it," York said. "When you think about it, the '60s were kind of a reaction to Elvis. You had a guy who didn't write, he interpreted other people's songs, he never really had any control over the band. One of the things that happened in the '60s was rejecting that Elvis kind of thing."

When asked by a student whether he believed that drug use affected the creativity of musicians or social movements as a whole, York responded, "So many of my friends from that time period are dead. I mean, you look at my resumé and it's like reading an obituary."

"So many [people] that I worked with that got into that whole drug thing, even after they would clean up, after they would wake up, they had hurt their bodies so much and their minds so much, they were so weakened that they would die," he said.

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>
> *—John York, former Byrds band member*

In the course of his discussions with the class, York played a 12-string guitar and sang one of the most familiar songs from the Byrds, "Turn, Turn, Turn." He also had with him an assortment of international instruments that he played for the group.

"It was kind of neat to see him [singing live] instead of hearing something that had been recorded over and over," said freshman Brandon Laird, a student in Brock's class.

York referenced the time that he spent living in a commune with a friend and said that it was a time that people sought alternative solutions to everyday things such as buying groceries. "Instead of buying things, we would trade things," he said. York said that he felt living in a commune was a good idea for someone who wanted to retreat and deal with who they really are. However, he does not think that it is the perfect solution.

"What I learned [from living in a commune] is that you can't just drop out [of society]. How can you not be a human being? We're all in this thing together," he said. "Or how can you possibly say 'so, I'll have nothing to do with it?' You can't do that or otherwise you're part of the problem."

So what does York think about the current music that is being produced?

"I feel like it's a very creative time right now. People are starting to take a stance with their music," he said. "Not all of it is deep, but a lot of it is. People are telling the truth about where they're coming from, and a lot of people don't want to hear that."

'Don Juan' leads shine on stage

Deanna Reyes
Staff Writer

When one pictures Don Juan, a precise image comes to mind. A dark and mysterious man, clad in a black cape holding a crimson rose between his teeth. Don Juan, the Latin lover; the greatest lover in the world. This stereotype will be transformed by Georgji Paro, director of the Croatian National Theater, and actor Obren Milanovic in University of La Verne's production "Don Juan."

Milanovic, a junior theater major, will play Don Juan, a hero to all existentialists, a womanizer, a dark and intelligent character. Milanovic warns people not to expect the typical Don Juan.

"When you think of Don Juan, you think of this Latin lover," he said. "I'm not. I'm not Latin, I'm not hugely muscular. Instead of focusing on playing the romance, I chose to start with his mind."

Milanovic describes Don Juan as dark, courageous and someone who does not reveal his emotions to others.

"All he lives for is the moments of life, there is no morality," he said. "There is nothing that propels him to do anything other than what is beneficial for him."

The play, which was originally written by Moliere, has been adapted by Paro to relate more to modern times. Originally set in Sicily during the 17th century, the play's location was changed to 19th century Mexico by Paro. During Don Juan's travels, he makes promises to marry several women. One of the women's brothers and family become angry with Don Juan for his deceitfulness, and seeks revenge. Despite the threat of death, Don Juan continues his corrupt ways. Eventually, he is confronted with death in many different ways by various people who represent what the future holds for him.

"The basic question of the play is, 'Can anything move him?' " said Milanovic. "Will he repent?" 'Is there anything that can make him realize the error of his ways?' "

Milanovic said he finds comparisons between Don Juan and Hamlet because both are incredibly reflective and mysterious.

"It will be interesting to see how people relate to the character," he said. "Whether or not they hate him, or in some way, envy him. We all have some amount of morals, but we all wish at times we could do whatever we want to do."

Milanovic credits much of the successfulness of the production to Paro. He said the fact the ULV has him here is more than just an honor to the school and the department, but that he is the "ultimate teacher." He said during rehearsals he always has the feeling that Paro knows exactly what he is doing, every second of the time.

"The man's a genius," he said. "I wouldn't use that word for many people, but I'd use it for Georgji."

Milanovic also said all of the actors in the play are fabulous—they are an "eclectic cast." He said people should come see the play because "it's both entertaining and thought provoking."

He said it makes people think about the decisions they make in life and what impact it could have in the future.

"I see certain things in my character that I find in myself," he said. "Like how he's lost in his own perceptions of how he should live his life or sticking to his own principles—I see that in myself."

Milanovic has been in three of Paro's productions, and "Don Juan" is one of the 14 plays he's been in at ULV. He fell into his love for theater accidentally after auditioning for a play because a cute girl from his chemistry class was trying out. After landing the lead role in "Bye, Bye, Birdie," he has been acting ever since.

Tom Moose, a 2000 ULV alumnus, will play the role of Sganarelle, Don Juan's servant.

Sganarelle is the only person with whom Don Juan communicates. Moose said Sganarelle, a good servant who does what Don Juan asks of him, is still a man of intelligence and dignity.

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> *—Obren Milanovic, actor 'Don Juan'*

"He knows what's going on with all the affairs of Don Juan," he said. "So there's a conflict in serving and his own opinion of what's going on."

He said Sganarelle is not able to articulate his opinion to Don Juan due to an underlying fear. However, Moose said his character overcomes this fear and eventually tells everything he feels to Don Juan.

Moose said he has worked with Milanovic on several past productions at ULV and considers him a buddy.

"The amount that he grew from coming in to where he's at now is breathtaking, it's amazing," he said. "He's an achiever, he wants to do everything he does well."

Moose said the entire cast has done an "intensely fine job" with the production of the play.

He also said working with Paro on past productions has resulted in a strong professional relationship. He said they are close in mentalities, partly because they share a similar European background.

Besides playing a lead in the production, Moose is also in charge of the sound design.

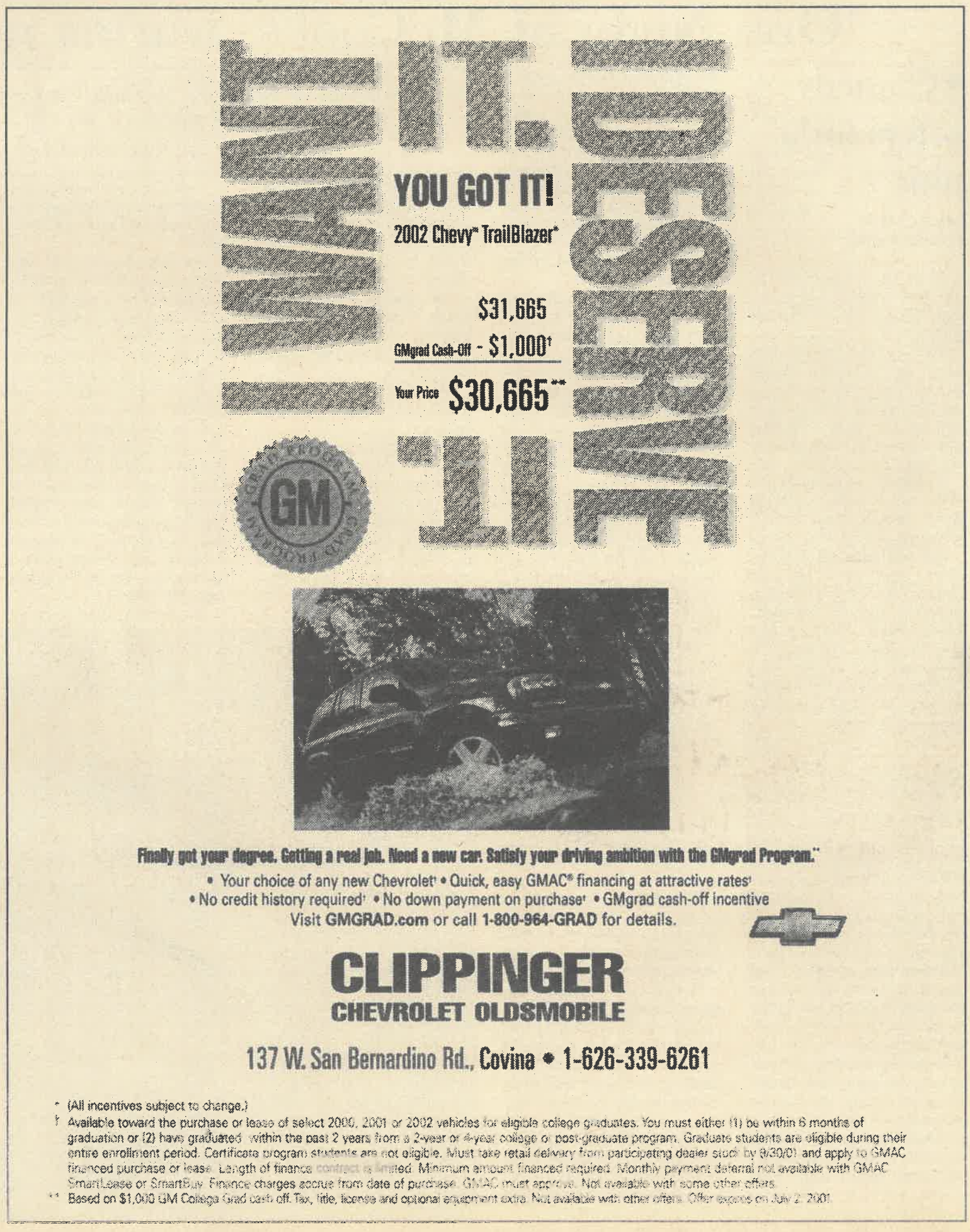
Working on the play has been a trying experience for Moose, who is currently recovering from a blood clot in in his leg that left him bedridden for three weeks. He originally flew in from Germany in March to work on the sound design, however Paro asked him to join the company as Sganarelle as well.

"I feel good about the show," he said. "I feel good about the music. I'm just glad to be here; I'm so happy I can walk. I'm just looking at things a little differently from that experience. I'm learning patience all over again."

Moose said he appreciates those who supported him through his injury.

Moose said theater is about changing people's lives. He said people should come see the show because theater is great and that people have forgotten how fun watching a live show can be. "Anything can happen on stage, it's not like a film that's edited," he said.

The play runs until Saturday. It starts at 7:30 p.m. in the Dailey Theatre.



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Cinco de Mayo celebrates heritage

•Holiday calls for reason to celebrate

Dora Galván
Staff Writer

Cinco de Mayo, a nationwide holiday, is celebrated in the United States. It is a day of festivities as well as a day many spend with family and friends.

"On Cinco de Mayo I like to get together with family. I like to go to downtown San Diego and Olvera Street. I also enjoy bar hopping," said senior Damian Silva.

In Los Angeles, Latinos make-up 40 percent of the population. Such numbers make Cinco de Mayo comparable to the Fourth of July in terms of the number of events held to celebrate.

A search engine website dedicated to city events states that "about a half a million people in the city participate in fiestas and parades. The streets of downtown LA are decorated in red, white and green, colors of the Mexican flag."

After the Mexican War of the Reform, which took place during 1858-1860, Benito Pablo Juarez was elected president of Mexico in 1861.

Juarez attempted to ease the financial trouble Mexico was in, which was caused by this civil war, by suspending interest payments on foreign loans incurred by preceding governments.

France, Britain and Spain joined forces in order to intervene and protect their investments in Mexico.

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> —*Damian Silva, senior*

Napoleon III of France hoped that Mexico would welcome the creation of a monarchy, because this would protect Latin America from the Anglo-Saxon republicanism of the United States. Britain and Spain withdrew from Napoleon's expedition, because they did not agree with his idea of colonizing Mexico.

Cinco de Mayo honors the Battle of Puebla on May 5, 1862. This was a triumph for Mexico because the Mexican fighters forced the Europeans to take them seriously.

This war brought national pride, and although they lost the war it is a turning point for the country of Mexico.

Cinco de Mayo features mariachi bands, ballet folklorico performances, pinatas, brightly colored costumes and good food.

"I love Cinco de Mayo because of the barbecues family and friends have. I love it because it is an opportunity for me to see my family," said senior Louie Juarez.

"What I like the most about Cinco de Mayo are all the carnivals and festive events held," said sophomore Neal Houska.

Because Cinco de Mayo is a popular holiday, people have a choice on how they would like to spend their day.

On Olvera Street, one can find folklorico performances, masses and good food.

For people who have not had the opportunity to see Olvera Street, it is a beautiful place that gives others a sense of the Mexican culture. Olvera Street is located on Olvera Street and Broadway Street in Pueblo De Los Angeles. For more information call (213) 628-1274.

Plaza de la Raza located in East Los Angeles is a school of performing and fine arts associated with the Mexican culture. It offers folklorico and Mariachi music classes and has programs throughout the year reflecting the different culture celebrations of the community. Plaza de la Raza is located at 3540 North Mission Blvd. in Los Angeles. For more information call (323) 223-2475.

Another venue, Rodeo de Media Noche offers a night of fun, filled with band music. The dance club is known for their serious contact dancing. It is located on 8825 East Washington Blvd. in Pico Rivera. For more information, call (562) 942-0755.

Movie Review

'One Night at McCool's' warms no one

•Comedy offers little plot

Julia Carachure
Editorial Director

There are plenty of movies out there without a plot, and "One Night At McCool's" is one of them.

While sitting in the dark movie theater, many women may be tempted to walk out on the film because this movie is intended for a male audiences, who are only there to check out Liv Tyler.

In the film, men literally fall at the feet of seductress Jewel (Tyler), whose talents include having sex and drinking water.

She also has no problem displaying some skin to her male victims. The victims involved in her plan include bartender Randy (Matt Dillon), police detective Charlie Dehling (John Goodman) and lawyer Carl (Paul Reiser). And they all meet her one night at McCool's bar, where Randy works.

These men are confused about Jewel and they make it pretty obvious that they want to be with her. They all handle their feelings differently. Randy, who wants to get rid of her, visits Mr. Burmeister (Michael Douglas), a professional hit man. Carl decides to see a therapist, played by singer Reba McEntire. Charlie goes to his priest to talk to him about his feelings toward Jewel.

In a flashback, Randy tells Burmeister that he wants her dead because of incidents they had had in the past.

He tells him how he rescued Jewel from being raped by an oversized thug named Utah, who was really her partner-in-crime. The duo's job is for Jewel to seduce the male victim, while Utah robs them.

Randy offers to take Jewel to his home. She immediately realizes that he has what she wants—a house that she can turn into a dream residence.

Initially, she was just supposed to keep Randy busy while Utah robbed him.

But Randy had nothing valuable, except the watch he was wearing. So he takes Utah to McCool's to give him money, since Utah has threatened him. However, Utah never gets the money, since he winds up dead, and all blame points to Randy. Dehling is then called upon to investigate the crime scene, where he meets Jewel. She entices him as well.

> 'One Night at McCool's' is clearly slanted toward male audiences only. Ladies, this is not the movie for you—save your money and go somewhere else.

For Dehling, Jewel reminds him of his late wife Theresa. To him, she is a living icon that represents everything that is good in the world.

He feels obligated to love Jewel and protect her from harm.

He disapproves of Randy because he thinks he is abusing her, which he is not.

Jewel moves in with Randy after the murder. She also brainwashes him to steal from others in order to pay for the bills because Randy refuses to get a job, after he is fired from McCool's.

Carl, Randy's cousin, also smitten by Jewel, sees her as a sexy vixen who he would like to have.

For him, Jewel is the one woman who can fulfill his kinky sex fantasies or so he thinks.

Randy is slowly getting frustrated by Jewel and wants to stop stealing things just because Jewel wants him to do so. (He is also sick of the dead bodies that fall after each robbery).

Jewel, knows that Randy will stop cooperating with her, and decides to get rid of him by convincing Dehling that Randy is indeed abusing her. When Dehling sees her with a black eye, he believes her stories. Randy is then slapped with a restraining order to keep him away from Jewel.

Burmeister guarantees to solve Randy's "Jewel" problem for a hefty cost—$10,000. The money is paid by Randy so he can get his house back and get rid of Jewel and her influences once and for all.

There are also plenty of jokes and sexual innuendoes. One scene that the movie is already known for captures Tyler in a car washing scene where she is covered with suds and water.

In terms of performance, all these actors can do much better. The film overall needed a stronger female role than Tyler, perhaps a better actress could have warmed up the screen.

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Avilés...

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roommate Sasha Moghadam [freshman, business major]. It was one of the scariest things to think of living with someone other than my brother, and he has become one of the most important people in my life. I wish him luck in college and hope he will do as well as he is doing now. I thank him and his family, they have been great to me," said Avilés.

Avilés expressed his want to go home by saying that, "every morning I wake up here I'm not complete."

"One of the greatest things my father ever told me was, an intelligent person is one who pursues his own happiness. I want to go home to feel complete, when I'm home I feel complete," he said.

But before the last wheel is off and above the runway and flying south, Avilés still has five weeks at ULV. What can one do with four weeks in California?

"I want to see Joshua Tree, if possible. I want to finish my projects, and my birthday is coming. I just want to have good memories of these last weeks, because you always remember the last things first. I just hope they are good for me," says Avilés as he picks up his backpack and heads off to class with a determined shine in his eye and a smile for all those he sees.

Fall 2000
University of La Verne CAPA Dean's List

To achieve this recognition a student must be full time (12 units) and have a minimum GPA of 3.75. In addition, a student must have letter grades in the minimum number of units required to be full time. Students must complete all semester hours within the semester enrolled. Students who complete IP's and INC's at a later date may petition to be placed on the Dean's List retroactively.

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Softball defends title via Oxy sweep

•Playoff location to be decided

Tom Chambers
Staff Writer

Mission completed. The University of La Verne softball team won SCIAC conference by sweeping Occidental last Saturday, and there was nothing accidental about it.

Despite a scare from conference rival Cal Lutheran, the Leopards have expected this all season long.

Their new challenge, should they choose to accept it; to win regionals and go to nationals. This message will not self-destruct. It will live in the corner of every player's mind.

"Mission Impossible?" Not according to sophomore center fielder Libby Ramos.

"We are expecting to do very well regionally and advance to nationals," said Ramos.

The Leopards learn Sunday who and where they play for the regional playoffs.

Chances are the tournament will be held in Texas or at neighboring Chapman, but when, who and where they play seems to be inconsequential.

Despite rumored controversy, the team's confidence is souring. And why shouldn't it be?

This year's sequel to last year's title establishes them as the premiere team in SCIAC, as well as a national threat. Nationally, the Leopards are ranked ninth in the country.

Last weekend's tripleheader against Occidental capped a terrific season and involved a mercy, a scare and a broom.

ULV had one close game, one blow out, ending with the mercy rule and a clean sweep of Occidental.



Tom Galaraga

Occidental third baseman Joy Healy's tag was just a little bit late, allowing sophomore center fielder Libby Ramos to slide safely into third. Ramos later came around to score for the Leopards. La Verne swept Occidental to clinch the SCIAC title.

Sophomore Mandy Tillema pitched the first two games and Sue Witcher closed out the Poet's for the third and final game.

Friday's game at Eagle Rock brought little excitement as the Leopards defeated the Tigers, 6-1, in just over an hour.

Saturday, the Leopards continued to roll, winning the first game of the doubleheader 11-1. More than 40 people showed up at Wheeler Park to watch ULV mercy Occidental.

"We're playing with a lot of confidence right now. We know we're a good team, but don't want to loose focus of what's in front of us," said sophomore Jackie Russo.

The third and final game did not mirror the first two. The University of La Verne needed three pitchers to break out the broom and win the game by one run, 8-7.

Witcher earned the win pitching five innings, giving up three runs, only two of which were earned. Sophomore Amanda Stutevoss and Tillema split the last two innings, with the defense bringing the win home for ULV.

A standout over the weekend was senior Kadie Tillema. "A mainstay of our team," as recently said by head coach Julie Kline, she scored four runs and had three hits in four at bats in all three games, proving Kline's point with hall of fame numbers.

Senior Robin Haaker added four hits and four runs, while Ramos had four hits with three runs. Sophomore Jackie Russo has also improved her play defensively and offensively.

With certain players shining brighter than others, no one player has failed to mention the importance of the team. They have chosen to burn bright as a team, rather than individuals.

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> *—Jackie Russo, sophomore outfielder*

Men's tennis ends season with future promise

Chad Harp
Staff Writer

Despite the lack of experience with collegiate competition, the University of La Verne men's tennis team ended the year with a winning record and one of the best Leopard tennis finishes in almost 30 years.

The season came to a close last weekend at the Ojai Tournament where the Leopards' No. 1 and 2 players were matched up with the No. 2 and 3 players in the region.

Freshman Josh Horwitz was matched up against the No. 3 regional player from Whitman College, Tim Mullin.

Horwitz who has been hampered by tendonitis, was a bit off during the match and was not able to keep up with the steady play of Mullin. Mullin defeated Horwitz, 6-1, 6-1.

Fellow freshman Chad Rodriguez was matched up against another very capable opponent. The University of Redlands No. 2 regionally ranked Steve Marshburn was Rodriguez's counterpart.

The match was played well on both sides of the net, but with Marshburn's solid play and his game a little bit sharper, Rodriguez had a problem getting back to deuce. Marshburn defeated Rodriguez 6-0, 6-1.

To open the day, Horwitz and Rodriguez were scheduled to play doubles against the veteran pair from Redlands, Rob Candiotty and Marco Bravo. The Leopards youth was exposed playing the crafty Bulldogs, as they were beaten 6-3, 6-0.

However, after the game Bravo and Candiotty complimented the two freshman saying that their playing reminded them of themselves in there first collegiate year.

As a team, the season showed positive results. The majority of the players ended with a winning record, and the team ended with a winning record for the first time in years. The team finished 6-4 in conference and an even 9-9 overall.

Playing for the opportunity of a fourth place conference finish at the SCIAC tournament held at Redlands on April 20 and 21. After being defeated by the Occidental Tigers, a team who the Leopards had previously beaten, they were placed into the consolation bracket of the tournament.

From there the Leopards beat Whittier and salvaged a victory over Caltech for a fifth place conference finish.

"I was kind of disappointed, we should've finished fourth and could've even finished third," said head coach Steve Bergovoy.

Next year's team expectations will be much greater than this year. Essentially the whole team is returning, including senior Kiran Asola who has another year of eligibility. Freshmen who are expected to make a huge impact as sophomores are Horwitz, Rodriguez and Jason Cortez.

To bring an extra level of competition to the team, two top state ranked high school seniors are being recruited and expected to attend the University of La Verne.

With the extra year of experience and the young talent coming in, the Leopards are looking much stronger as a conference contender already.

Bergovoy, excited about next year said, "Our top four will be one of the best top four in the conference. I'm conservatively looking at finishing third next year, but with the right amount of work, a second or first place finish wouldn't surprise me. I also expect one or two of our players to be regionally ranked by this time next year."

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> *—Steve Bergovoy, head tennis coach, on next season*

Horwitz, Rodriguez learn to lead

Matt Cresto
Staff Writer

Josh Horwitz and Chad Rodriguez have lived across the street from each other their entire lives. They did not become familiar with each other until their tennis careers brought them together.

Now both are freshmen co-captains of the University of La Verne tennis team, ranked number one and two on the squad, are ranked third in doubles in SCIAC, but most importantly have become great friends.

The two players did not meet until seventh grade, where they both played for the Upland Tennis Club. They were playing against a friend of theirs and wanted to be matched up against him. They ended up playing doubles together that day and have played together ever since.

Over the past six years, the two have made a name for themselves in Southern California. Both players were recruited heavily by La Verne head coach Steve Bergovoy. They played doubles together at Upland High School for four years where they became ranked fourth in Southern California in the 18 and under division.

"I pushed these guys hard all year long," said Bergovoy.

This year the two not only had to take on the challenge of facing the SCIAC's top contenders, but also take the role of team captains.

"It was very surprising. It was a lot of pressure," said Rodriguez. "I thought I could handle it since I was captain on my high school team."

This year the two were able to pull off some big upsets as partners, as well as individually. Horwitz recalls the match when he and Rodriguez defeated the No. 25 team in the nation from Redlands as one of their best matches.

Rodriguez was impressed with he and his partner's play against San Bernardino Valley College when they were down 1-7 in the final set and were able to come back and win the tiebreaker 9-8.

> 'We know what each one is thinking. We always agree on what we are doing.'
> *—Josh Horwitz, freshman tennis co-captain referring to Chad Rodriguez*

"It showed how well we can really work together," said Rodriguez.

Both players feel that playing with the other has made them a better player and the time they have played together has helped their game.

"We know what each one is thinking," said Horwitz. "We always agree on what we are doing."

Both players had similar feelings on their abilities with each other and how they read the other player on the court.

"We know what each other is going to do before we do it," said Rodriguez. "This makes us more powerful."

This year the Leopards got out to their best start in 20 years with the leadership and talent of Horwitz and Rodriguez. The season did take its toll on the Leopards as they finished the year in fifth place in SCIAC.

The season lasted a month longer than the high school season. They both felt that they were able to endure the process.

"It wore us down at the end of this year," said Horwitz.

Both Rodriguez and Horwitz said that they hope to improve next year on their doubles performance. The pair ended the season with a doubles record of 13-4.

Rodriguez said he has a goal of becoming an All-American, which is probably on Horwitz's mind as well. Horwitz said that he would also like to take his team to Nationals.

The co-captains and the Leopards look to be strong in the future.

"I could play doubles with anyone," said Rodriguez. "But with Josh it just raises my game."

Golf team earns trip to St. Louis for Nationals

Chad Harp
Staff Writer

The University of La Verne men's golf team finished the 2001 SCIAC golf tour with a number seven national ranking and bid to the national tournament that begins this Monday in St. Louis, Mo.

This year's national tournament is hosted by Maryville College at Persimmon Woods Golf Club. The top 23 Division III golf teams will be competing here for the national championship.

The Leopards who finished second to Cal Lutheran in the SCIAC championship have been in a battle all year with teams in one of the toughest conferences in the nation. The SCIAC is being well represented this year as they have four teams heading to Nationals.

Along with the Leopards, the 10th ranked Redlands Bulldogs, the 21st ranked Cal Lutheran Kingsmen, and the 30th ranked Claremont-Mudd-Scripps are all heading to St. Louis to represent the conference.

"This year the conference contains a lot of really good teams, and they all are deserving of their bids," said head coach Rex Huigens.

Even though the Leopards lost to the the Kingsmen in the SCIAC finals, they have defeated them five out of the seven times they have played this year.

The margin between this years SCIAC champion and third place was only two and a half strokes. The championship contained first rate play from the top three teams as the Leopards team score was one over par.

This years University of La Verne men's golf team broke the 1989 teams old school record by nine strokes. Also freshman Joe Skovron broke the individual school record shooting a three under par. Junior Karl Schubert tied that record later on in the year.

"This is the funniest team I've ever coached, were relaxed, loose, and I know we laugh more than any other team in the conference," said Huigens.

The Leopards leave Saturday morning for St. Louis with the team's practice round being on Sunday. The tournament begins on Monday. It continues through the week with the final round coming to a conclusion on Thursday.

The Leopards youthful team is led by Lee Fulmer; the Player of the Year award winner Skovron; first team all-SCIAC players Schubert and freshman Joey Murray. Also second team All-SCIAC sophomore Mario DiCarlo, and the lone senior Paul Gomez.

ASF elections...

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Reed, vice president of activities: Crystal Apilado; accountant: Ralph Solis; director of public relations: Margaret Tipton; activities board commissioners: Alexis Lahr, Flora Yang, Britain Semain, Frank Tolentino, Ryan Acosta and V.J. Wallbridge; advocacy board senators: Will Paulson, Melissa Galaviz and Christy Roberts.

For the second year in a row, ASF will not have a secretary. The only race that is in the election is for the position of president. Guerrero is running for his second year as president against Granillo.

Former accountant Shellie Etheridge proposed a change to the ballot. It would "appeal a change" to the ASF constitution. She said she would like to see two articles for the accountant position added to the current constitution. Etheridge is proposing that whoever runs for the position should have had taken one year of accounting or possess related experience.

Also, the accountant shall receive training from the previous accountant. Etheridge's second proposal is for the accountant elections to be during the spring and be voted for by special elections.

Basketball invites area youth to University of La Verne

Kelly Serrano
Sports Editor

In efforts to teach and practice the basic fundamentals of basketball as well as provide friendly competition for teams and individuals, the University of La Verne will be host to a basketball camp over the summer for boys and girls ages 6-14.

The camp is broken down into four different sessions over a four week period. Session one is June 25-29, session two is July 9-13, session three is July 23-27 and session four is Aug. 20-24.

Children are invited to the daily camp from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., with supervised extended care from 7:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. at no extra charge.

Each session costs $165 per camper. Special discounts are available for enrolling in multiple sessions, enrolling additional family members and for registering before June 1.

All sessions will take place in the ULV Supertents and will be instructed by college coaches and players. Campers are asked to bring their own lunch and drinks will be provided daily.

Julie Kline, women's basketball coach, encourages children to get involved in the camp and said that she expects it to be a fun learning experience.

For more information Kline can be reached at 909-593-3511 ext. 4264

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Baseball ends season on high note

Amanda Egan
Staff Writer

Baseball closed their season strong with seven wins out of their last 10 games.

The Leopards beat Occidental twice, had a three game sweep against Redlands and a pair of wins to Whittier.

"We played like we are capable of playing these past 10 games," said head coach Scott Winterburn.

ULV faced Occidental on Friday for the first of a three game series that concluded the Leopards season.

La Verne attacked early scoring five runs in the first inning. They defeated Oxy 20-5 with 15 hits.

Sophomore Ray Podesta and senior Scott Iavorone each doubled. Senior Matt Cresto had two hits and four RBI to contribute to the win.

Senior John Cruz pitched five complete innings allowing four hits and four runs.

Freshmen Sergio Villalobos and Alan Sarrail and junior Brian Grimm each pitched an inning to close the game.

On Saturday, La Verne was away at Oxy and fell short in game one to the Tigers, 5-2. ULV put together eight hits but it was not enough to get the win.

Freshman Joe Scott, junior Steve Smith and Cresto each had a pair of hits.

Senior Ruben Del Castillo pitched seven complete innings allowing 10 hits and four runs. He struck out five and walked one batter.

> 'The way we played at the end of the season is indicative of things to come.'
> —*Scott Winterburn, ULV baseball coach*

"Ruben pitched his heart out, he threw a good game. Offensively, we didn't take advantage of scoring opportunities," said Winterburn.

Junior Bill Baldry relieved Del Castillo in the eighth, allowing only a hit a run.

In game two of the doubleheader La Verne executed at the plate coming up with 19 hits. They defeated the Tigers 18-6.

Podesta went 4-for-6 with a home run. "Podesta tore it up this weekend, he had great games," said Winterburn.

Senior designated hitter Nate Devine hit two out of the park and junior Nick Lemas had three hits and two RBI.

Freshman Justin Van Duyne got the win pitching seven complete innings allowing six hits and five runs. He struck out three and walked two.

In the previous week, ULV walked away with five wins. ULV jumped on Redlands early on April 20 scoring two quick runs in the first inning. Redlands answered back with two runs in the second tying the game at two.

The Leopards left the Bulldogs scoreless the rest of the game and then came up with four more runs winning 10-3. The Leopards dominated the entire game with 14 hits.

La Verne beat Redlands 11-8 in game one of the doubleheader on April 21. Winterburn said that the team took good swings when they mattered.

"It was very typical of what we are trying to accomplish," said Winterburn.

In game two, the Leopards sent Redlands home with another loss, 9-1.

ULV defeated Whittier twice earlier that week in a rain make-up. La Verne outscored the Poets 6-2 and 10-8.

Coach Winterburn said that he had a great effort out of his players throughout the season.

ULV had six seniors who finished their final season at La Verne strong, Eric Garma, Cresto, Cruz, Del Castillo, Iavorone and Devine.

La Verne finished the season with a 21-21 record.

"The way we played at the end of the season is indicative of things to come," Winterburn said.

La Verne track, field looks toward nationals

Amanda Stutevoss
Staff Writer

The University of La Verne track and field teams have made a name for themselves. The SCIAC Co-Champions have made headlines with their impressive performance at the State Track Meet, held at University of California, Irvine on April 28 and 29.

With Division I competition like University of California at Los Angeles, Stanford and Fresno State, the La Verne men dug deep and finished 14th out of 20th overall.

The ULV women however struggled to put numbers on the board.

"We never run good on that track. All of our handoffs were bad," said sophomore Liz Lucsko.

"Everyone was really tired," said sophomore Dejuana Satchell, the women's team captain.

Top runners for the men from ULV were Erik Thomas, who placed fifth in the 200 meter.

The men's 4x100 relay, made up of sophomore Demetrik Brown, Thomas, freshman Brandon Jones and senior Kephyan Sheppard, placed sixth.

"The men's and women's 4x100 relay are expected to be ranked very high nationally," said assistant coach Katrina Hall.

The Leopards have three more meets before nationals.

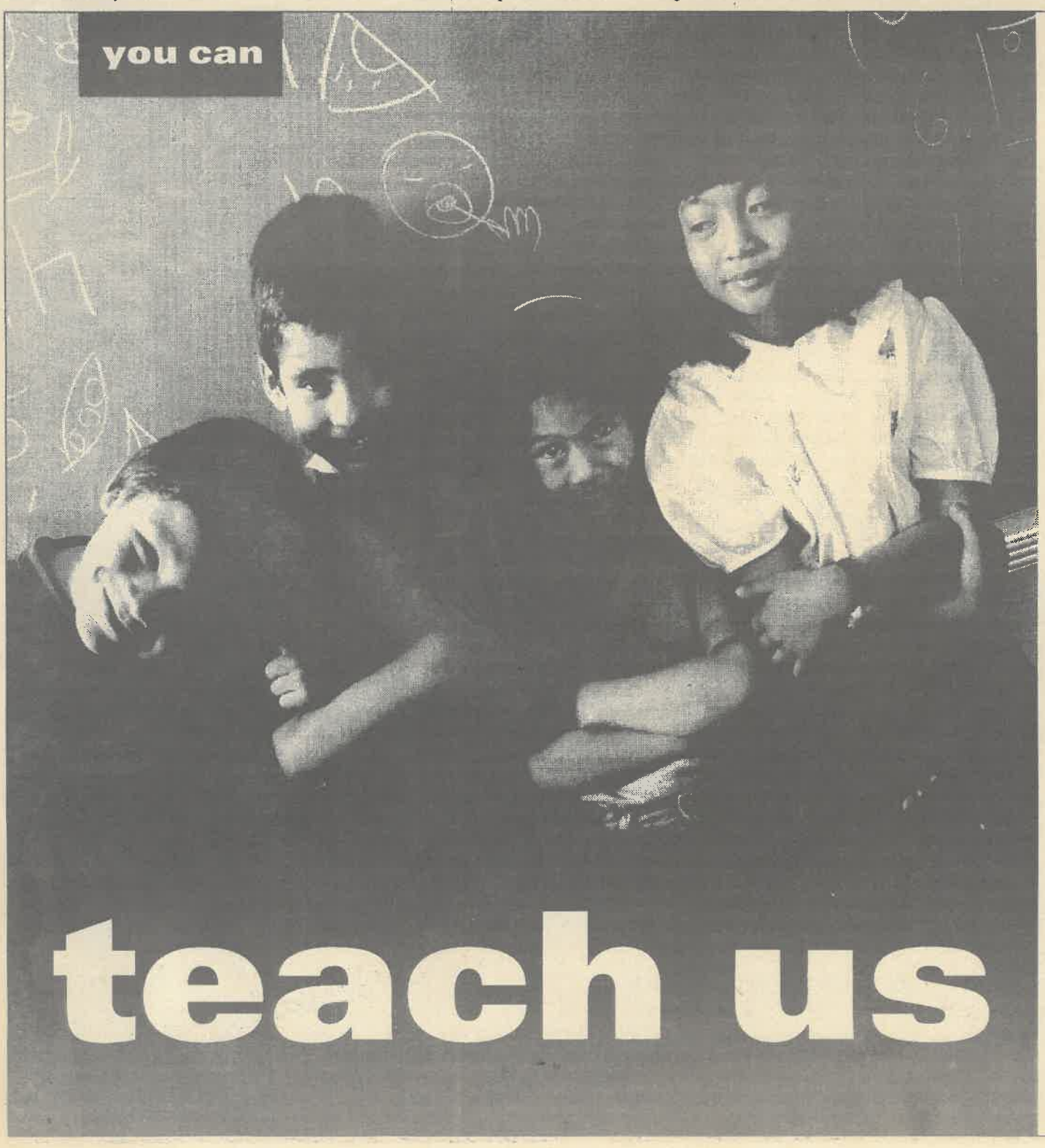
"These next three meets are just practice until nationals, we just have to do the best that we can," said Satchell.

Although their rough performance at the state track meet, the women's 4x100 relay, which is made up of sophomores Lucsko, Amber Clayton, Satchell, and freshman Stacy Kirk, must bounce back and refocus on the task at hand, nationals.

They hold the SCIAC record in the 4x100 relay of 47.52 seconds but their performance must succeed there previous to take first at nationals.

"We feel a little bit of pressure. We just want to get to the baton around the track, and finish in the top eight," said Lucsko.

"We have the talent and the right connection. We always seem to shock ourselves," said Clayton.



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Women's water polo finishes 5th

•ULV ends season with three wins

Matt Cresto
Staff Writer

The University of La Verne women's water polo team came into the SCIAC tournament as underdogs but came out of it with a positive 3-2 record.

It was a huge lift for the women to come away with wins over top seed Claremont, Pomona-Pitzer and Whittier.

"These were huge wins for us," said junior Summer Hammons. "It proved we are a good team and we can beat anyone."

The Leopards took the first game of the tournament with a 7-4 win over Claremont.

At the time, Claremont was tied with Redlands for first place. ULV scored twice in the first period with goals from sophomore Jennifer Pachecho and freshman Sarah Kelly.

The Leopards scored twice in the second quarter with goals by junior Tandis Morgan and a last second shot just before halftime from half tank by sophomore Jen Brady. Brady added two more goals in the second half to help clinch the victory for the Leopards.

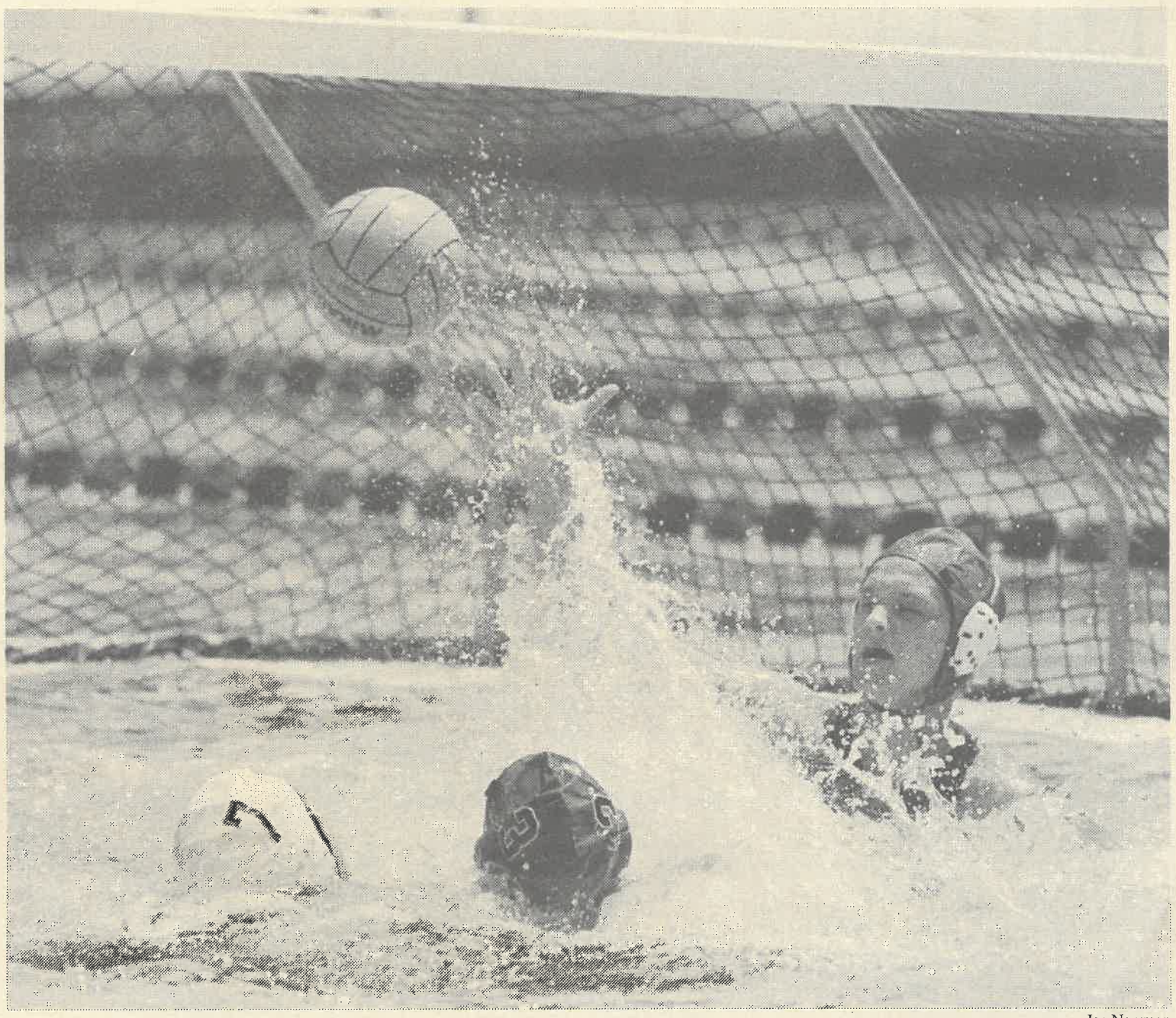
In game two, the Leopards were unable to match their play from the game before. ULV came up on the short end of a 9-4 contest against conference champion Redlands.

Pachecho scored first for the Leopards in the first period. Morgan carried the Leopards with a hat trick, consisting of a goal in the second and two in the third period.

ULV rebounded from the loss against Redlands to defeat Pomona-Pitzer 6-4 in game three.

ULV jumped out early with four goals in the first period. Pachecho and Morgan each scored once while Kelly added two.

The Leopards were shut out in the second period, but Hammons answered with a goal in the third. Pachecho finished the scoring with a goal in the fourth.



Jen Newman

Sophomore Jennifer Pachecho adds one more point to the Leopards' score as her shot gets by Jarie Hamilton-Graves, goalie for the Whittier Poets. The game ended with an 11-2 victory for the Leopards. The SCIAC Championships for women's water polo were April 27-29 at Pomona College. Pachecho finished the weekend with 7 goals total.

"Everybody was on," said Hammons. "Every game we showed up to play."

The Leopards were unable to start any offense going into game four as they lost to Occidental 7-1. The Leopards were held scoreless in the first half.

Once again, they were lead by Pachecho as she scored the only goal for ULV in the third period.

Game five was a cakewalk for La Verne as they defeated Whittier 11-2 for their final match of the tournament.

Pachecho started off the scoring with a goal in the first and later added one in the third period. She ended the weekend with seven goals.

> 'Everybody stepped up equally. Not just one person shined.'
> —*Maria De Santis, junior goalie*

Morgan contributed once again with her second hat trick of the weekend, scoring twice in the first period and once in the second.

Senior Catheryn Stokely added her only goal of the tournament in the second.

Angela Griffith and junior Alison Alastuey scored once in the second half. Kelly added two goals and Hammons scored once in the fourth period to cap off the scoring.

Junior goalie Maria De Santis said, "Everybody stepped up equally. Not just one person shined."

The Leopards finished the season in fifth place in SCIAC.

"We laid a foundation this weekend," said De Santis. "This was a stepping stone for next year."

Leopard Scoreboard

At the Buzzer...

Division III Softball Rankings (through 4/29)

	School	Record	Pts	Last Rnk.
1	St. Mary's (Minn.) (8)	27-5	200	1
2.	Alma (Mich.)	31-8	191	2
3.	Pacific Lutheran (Wash.)	23-8	183	3
4.	Central (Iowa)	35-6	168	4
5.	North Central (Ill.)	36-6	150	5
6.	Western Connecticut	31-2	149	9
7.	Bridgewater State (Mass.)	28-10-1	139	14
8.	Salisbury State (Md.)	34-7	136	11
9.	**La Verne (Calif.)**	**32-8**	**131**	**10**
10.	Rowan (N.J.)	29-8	126	23
11.	Cabrini (Pa.)	40-3	119	6
12.	Roanoke (Va.	38-8	116	8
13.	Denison (Ohio)	27-5	113	13
14.	William Paterson (N.J.)	31-5	88	12
15	Wheaton (Mass.)	34-6	85	22
16.	Illinois Benedictine	33-10	72	NR
17.	Muskingum (Ohio)	37-6	68	20
18.	Ithaca (N.Y).	26-12	64	21
19.	Emory (Ga.)	36-11	62	17
20.	Wartburg (Iowa)	32-6	50	18
21.	Illinois Wesleyan	31-11	34	15 (tie)
22	Linfield (Ore.)	24-17	30	NR
23.	Springfield (Mass.)	34-10	29	7
24	Tufts (Mass.)	22-9-1	25	NR
25.	Chapman (Calif.)	22-14	20	19

Schedule

Sunday
Track @ UC Irvine Invitational, 8 a.m.
Monday
Golf @ Division III Championships, St. Louis, Mo.
Tuesday
Golf @ Division III Championships, St. Louis, Mo.
Wednesday
Golf @ Division III Championships, St. Louis, Mo.
Thursday
Golf @ Division III Championships, St. Louis, Mo.
Friday
Softball in Division III Regionals, TBA
Saturday
Softball in Division III Regionals, TBA
Sunday
Softball in Division III Regionals, TBA

Did You Know?

SCIAC Final 2001 Baseball Standings (as of 4/29)

	SCIAC				Overall		
School	W	L	Pct.	GB	W	L	Pct.
Cal Lutheran	18	3	.857	0	27	10	.730
Pomona-Pitzer	15	5	.750	2.5	23	12	.657
CMS	15	6	.714	3.0	22	18	.550
La Verne	**12**	**9**	**.571**	**6.0**	**20**	**21**	**.488**
Whittier	11	10	.524	7.0	19	21	.475
Occidental	7	14	.333	11.0	13	24	.351
Redlands	5	15	.250	13.5	8	28	.222
Caltech	0	21	.000	18.0	1	23	.042

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Armenia, Azerbaijan Initiate Peace Talks

Nune Gazdhyan
Editor

United States Secretary Colin Powell invited Robert Kocharian, President of the Republic of Armenia and Heydar Aliyev, President of Azerbaijan to Key West, Florida last month to discuss a settlement for the Nagorno Karabakh conflict. Mediators from France, Russia and the United States were also present.

While the Florida talks did not lead to a peace agreement, it did help set the stage for the next round of peace talks scheduled for June in Switzerland.

"Armenia is committed to a peaceful resolution to the conflict, which will guarantee security and well being of the people of Nagorno Karabakh," Arman Kirakossian, Armenian Ambassador said. This was Armenia's official position of the Nagorno Karabakh conflict settlement.

The long-drawn dispute between Azerbaijan and Armenia flared up when Armenians in Karabakh, which was part of Armenia but was given to Azerbaijan by Stalin in 1923 during the Soviet era, wanted to secede.

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> *—Arman Kirakossian, Armenian Ambassador*

The large Armenian population of Karabakh claimed that it was discriminated against by Azerbaijanis, and that the territory was rightfully theirs because it was the heartland of Armenian civilization dating back to the 7th century B.C.

The Azerbaijanis, long-time rivals of the Armenians, who also trace their national roots to Karabakh, refused to accept the Armenian claims, initiating a fight to keep the region.

In 1987, Armenians started rallies to unify Karabakh with Armenia, resulting in violent outbreaks between the two countries.

Violence escalated after both countries declared their independence from the Soviet Union.

As a result, the large population of Armenians in Karabakh wanted their independence from Azerbaijan, with plans of reuniting with Armenia.

This led to more conflict between the two countries, resulting in an energy and road blockade placed on Armenia by Azerbaijan. Armenians managed to seize Karabakh and surrounding areas from 1992-94, taking 20 percent of Azerbai-jan's territory.

The international community has invested serious efforts in bringing the parties in conflict to the negotiating table for a political settlement.

Since 1992, international negotiations to resolve the conflict have been under way within the framework of the Organization of Security and Cooperation in Europe (OSCE)

A series of bilateral meetings, which have proved to be the most effective way of negotiating on this issue, have taken place between President Kocharian and President Aliyev.

These meetings have amounted to 16 altogether in the last two years. The last of the meetings was held in Paris, France, which paved the road to the peace talks held in Florida last month.

"It is of enormous value and importance to us to see a continuation and, in fact, an intensification of the U.S. efforts to promote the settlement of this conflict," said Ambassador Kirakossian.

In an effort to stop the violence, in 1994 the two countries agreed to a cease-fire, which is still in effect today, and began peace talks.

But they have yet to reach an agreement, despite the mediating efforts of the international committee. However, the Karabakh conflict has failed to be resolved, despite the 7-year old cease-fire agreement.

"I also want to emphasize that this issue is not going to be just an agreement between the Presidents of Armenia and Azerbaijan. For the conflict settlement to be comprehensive and durable, the agreement will have to take account the will of our peoples," said Ambassador Kirakossian.

The origins of the Karabakh dispute reaches back to the formation of the Soviet Union in the early 1920s. The dispute ignited after Stalin attached the territory of Karabakh, with a population of 95 percent Armenians, to Azerbaijan, despite continuous opposition from Karabakh's occupants.

During the seven decades of the USSR's existence, the government of Soviet Azerbaijan practiced a systematic policy of removal of Karabakh Armenians.

Numerous appeals were made by the Armenians of Karabakh to Moscow to rectify the political status of their territory.

In1987-'88 President Mikhail

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March Commemorates Armenian Genocide



Nune Gazdhyan

Commemorating the 86th Anniversary of the Armenian Genocide perpetrated by the Ottoman Turks from 1915-17, the United Armenian Students (UAS), an organization comprised of Armenian-American students from universities, colleges and professional schools in Southern California, organized a march through Hollywood April 24. The 1.5 mile march started at 11 a.m. on the corner of Sunset Boulevard and Hobart Avenue and ended at 2 p.m. Approximately 2,000 people participated. March participants were encouraged to wear black as a sign of mourning.

President Bush fails to keep recognition promise

Nune Gazdhyan
Editor

In his statement issued on April 24, the annual day of remembrance for the Armenian Genocide, President George W. Bush broke his pledge to officially recognize the Armenian Genocide.

The President carefully chose his words to stay away from using any words that might even hint at the word genocide. Instead, he used evasive and euphemistic terminology to avoid mentioning Turkey as the perpetrators of the genocide.

"Today marks the commemoration of one of the great tragedies of history: the forced exile and annihilation of approximately 1.5 million Armenians in the closing years of the Ottoman Empire. These infamous killings darkened the 20th Century and continue to haunt us to this day," President Bush said. "Today, I join Americans and the Armenian community abroad to mourn the loss of so many innocent lives."

While the President did acknowledge that Armenians were killed in the Ottoman Empire, their perpetrators were not mentioned at all.

President Bush's statement was disappointing to the Armenian community, especially after the fact that during his presidential campaign he made a public promise on Feb. 19 announcing that if elected, he would ensure that the Armenian Genocide receives proper recognition.

As a response to President Bush's promise, the Armenian National Committee of America, the largest Armenian American political organization, had launched a post card campaign to hold the president to his word. Individuals were encouraged to write to President Bush, asking for official genocide recognition by the United States government.

Furthermore, President Bush during his presidential campaign had sent a letter to the Armenian community last February to reaffirm his promise to recognize the Armenian Genocide.

An excerpt from his letter follows: "The Armenians were subjected to a genocidal campaign that defies comprehension and commands all decent people to remember and acknowledge the facts and lessons of an awful crime in a century of bloody crimes against humanity. If elected President, I would ensure that our nation properly recognizes the tragic suffering of the Armenian people."

This letter, which went out to members of the Armenian community, was important politically because it counteracted the careful avoidance of the term "genocide" by Al Gore, also a presidential candidate at the time, and by former President Bill Clinton who, during his eight years in office, ensured that he did not sever ties with Turkey.

The Armenian community had its hopes further heightened after President Bush made another public announcement regarding the Armenian Genocide.

During a recent trip to the Chicago Mercantile Exchange to promote his tax-cut plan, President Bush made a statement to members of ANCA reaffirming his campaign pledge to "ensure that our nation properly recognizes the tragic suffering of the Armenian people."

A statement released by ANCA on the behalf of the Armenian Community as a response to President Bush's April 24 statement said that "while appreciative of the President's sincere willingness to join the Armenians on this day, [we are] profoundly disappointed that despite his repeated campaign promises, he has chosen not to characterize Turkey's genocide against the Armenian people in clear and unambiguous terms."

Demonstrations, rally mark Armenian Genocide Commemoration

Nune Gazdhyan
Editor and Photographer

April 24 is a symbolic day for Armenians in the homeland as well as for Armenians all around the world because it marked the 86th anniversary of the Armenian Genocide. Armenians throughout the state of California gathered at various locations to ensure that the tragedy of their past was remembered.

In remembrance of the more than 1.5 million Armenians killed by the Ottoman Turkish Government from 1915-1917 (with subsidies until 1922-23), approximately 2,500 people participated in a march through several Hollywood streets followed by a protest in front of the Consulate of the Republic of Turkey.

The 1.5-mile march in Hollywood was organized by the United Armenian Students (UAS), which is comprised of Armenian-American students from numerous universities, colleges and professional schools in Southern California. It started at 11 a.m. on Sunset Boulevard and Hobart Street and lasted until 2 p.m.

"We are gathering here today to remember our past. This march is a good way of reminding the world about what happened," said Anna Menedjian, UAS media relations representative.

The location of the march was selected last October based on its designation as a "Little Armenia" district because of the neighborhood's large Armenian population and Armenian owned businesses.

"I am here today not only because of the Armenian Genocide but also to help bring about awareness for all genocides," said march participant Gayane Galstunyan.

After the 1.5 mile march, participants gathered back at Sunset Boulevard and Hobart Avenue where the crowd was addressed by numerous speakers.

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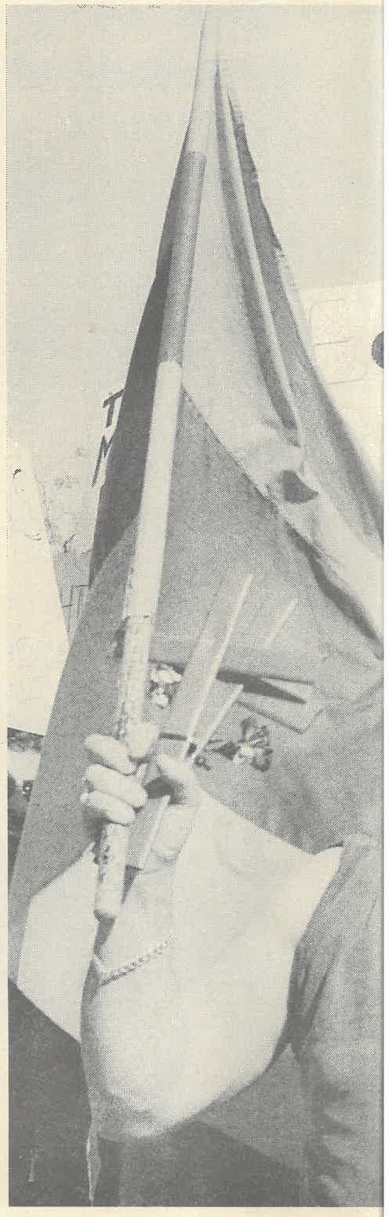
> *—Anna Menedjian, United Armenian Students media relations representative*

As the event came to an end, several dozen white doves were released into the sky as a symbol of peace.

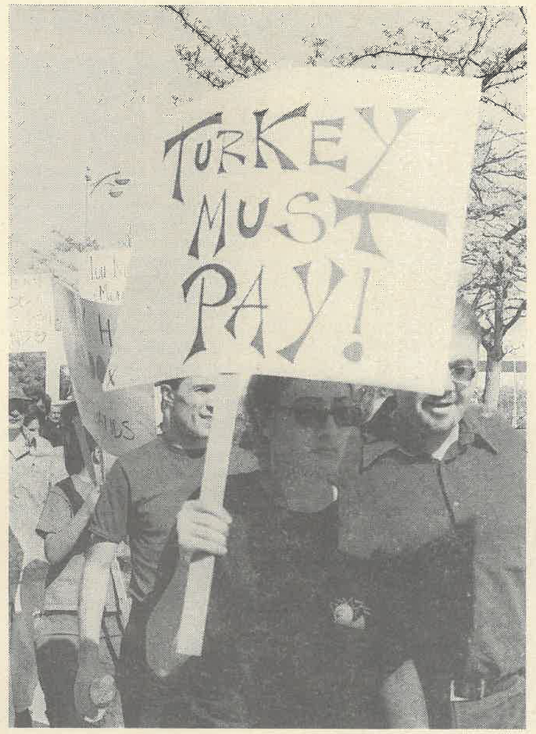
This event was the first of several events planned by UAS to promote public awareness of the Armenian Genocide.

Following the march through Hollywood, many of the participants joined the Armenian Youth Federation, which is a branch of the Armenian National Committee of America, Western Region, for a demonstration in front of the Turkish Consulate at Wilshire Boulevard and June Street.









The protest march started at 3 p.m. and lasted until 7 p.m.

The theme of the protest was "Protest Against Inhumanity."

Marching along the street near the Consulate building approximately 2,500 protesters of all ages chanted slogans, demanding that Turkey recognize the Armenian Genocide.

"This [the protest] shows the strength in our numbers. It shows that the Armenian community is united as a whole and is having its voice heard," said Areen Ibranossian, AYF spokesperson.

The line of police blocking the entrance to the Turkish Consulate did not stop the protesters from having their voices heard.

"We want justice," said Miko Melkonian, AYF Chairman, over the loudspeakers.

Even though the protest route was narrow and crowded, protesters marched for four hours multiplying in numbers by the hour.

This was AYF's 27th year of organizing the protest in front of the Turkish Consulate.

"This year we have the biggest turnout," Ibranossian said.

At the end of the day, as the crowd prepared to dismantle, it did so with the singing of the Armenian national anthem, "Mer Hayrenik [Our Armenia]."





Middle: Crosses, black ca ions, banners and flags were displayed as thousands of p sters marched back and forth in front of the Turkish Consul ocated on Wilshire Boulevard and June Street. Phrases such a rkey is Guilty of Genocide," were constantly yelled by prote s who demanded that Turkey recognize the Armenian Geno .

Left: With the United Stat g displayed in the air, Armenian girls marched down Su Boulevard to the chanting of "Genocide Never Again!"

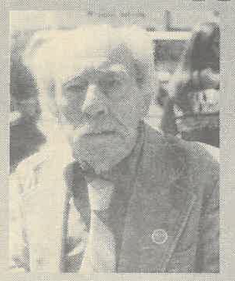
Lower Left: As part of t arch, United Armenian Students (UAS) handed out banner- Armenian Flags for the marchers to carry as they walked. T rade of flags stretched for miles, marking the 1.5 mile route was symbolic of the more than 1.5 million Armenians killed b e Ottoman Turkish Government.

Right: Banners demandin t Turkey recognize and take responsibility for the Armen Genocide were carried by demonstrators who marched to t rkish Embassy.

Lower Right: Encouraged b e UAS, many of the marchers wore black as a sign of mourni pite temperatures in the upper 80s. "It's the least we can do [w lack] to show our respect. Our ancestors endured long and t herous walks under the scorching sun in the desert," said Ma Shingitian, march participant.

1915-'17 Genocide survivors support march





Hrandt Betrossian, 91, was born in 1910 in Sasoun, occupied Armenian territory. However, his family moved to Marzvan for work.

His father was an architect and "very well liked both by Armenians and the Turks," said Betrossian.

He was only 5 years old when the Armenians of Marzvan were told to get ready for deportation. Betrossian's family started to make preparations.

"My father and other families started to gather their things. I remember that my father even bought a horse," he said.

Shortly before all the Armenians were to be relocated, his father was told by a Turkish Official, who was a good friend of Betrossian's father, that all the Armenians were going to be murdered. "The Armenians were going to be killed along the deportation route. If my father wanted to save himself and his family, he was told to convert to Islam," Betrossian said.

"To save ourselves we did convert, giving up our identity to save our lives, and here I am today as a witness to the genocide," he said.

Being present at the march in Hollywood was not an easy task for Samuel G. Kadorian, 93, who witnessed the Armenian Genocide first-hand.

Born in 1907, he was 7 years old during the mass killing and the deportation of the Armenians of the Ottoman Empire.

"Out of a family of seven, my mother and I were the only ones that survived the genocide," he said.

Kadorian came to the march from his current hometown of Van Nuys "as a witness to the Armenian Genocide."

He said that he was proud that the Armenian youth have organized such a powerful event to bring about awareness for the Armenian cause.

"Despite the fact that Turkey does not want to admit to what happened, we are here to let everyone know about their crime," Kadorian said.

"If any nation thinks that they can get rid of the Armenians, they are sadly mistaken," he said.

Republic of Armenia Facts

• The Republic of Armenia is one of the three internationally recognized states in Transcaucasia, the southernmost area of the former USSR.

• Armenia is 11,620 square miles in area. It has a population of about 3.3 million of whom more than 93 percent are Armenian. Thus, Armenia is the most ethnically homogeneous state of all the former republics of the USSR.

• Armenia is the only former Soviet republic that is governed by a democratically elected leader who had no ties to the communist party in the past.

• Armenia is a member of the United Nations and the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe (OCSE, formerly the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe).

• On Sept. 21, 1991, Armenia held a referendum on independence and 94 percent of all eligible voters voted for it. Two days later, the Armenian Parliament declared the independence of Armenia from the USSR.

• More than 120 countries have recognized Armenia as as independent state. and more than 70 countries have established direct diplomatic relations with Armenia.

• The first free presidential elections were held in Armenia on Oct. 16, 1991. Levon Ter Petrosian was elected president with more than 80 percent of the vote. However, he resigned.

• The Prime Minister Robert Kocharian became acting president after Ter Petrosian's resignation. Kocharian was re-elected on March 31, 1998.

• The same person cannot hold office of the president for more than two consecutive terms. The people directly elect the president for a five-year term.

•On Feb. 11. 1992, the U.S. State Department established an embassy in Yerevan, the capital of Armenia.

• Armenians are also the oldest Christian nation. The introduction to Christianity is ascribed to St. Gregory the Illuminator, who converted the pagan Armenian sovereign Trdat III in 301 A.D.

• The Armenian language is a branch of the Indo-European language group.

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After 86 years, New York Life settles genocide claims

Nune Gazdhyan
Editor

A class-action lawsuit, filed in the federal district court in California against New York Life Insurance and initiated on behalf of the heirs of the victims of the Armenian Genocide demanding that it release additional information about the unclaimed policies issued to the Armenians living in the Ottoman Empire, reached an agreement to pay the beneficiaries of policy holders.

New York Life, the Equitable, and other major insurance companies, issued life insurance to an estimated 3,647 Armenians in the Ottoman Empire. Almost all the policy holders and their beneficiaries were either killed or deported by the Turks in 1915-16, and records of their policies were lost.

The benefits, which amounted to more than 20 million, remained due and payable, yet there was no one left to claim them.

A claims committee, aware of what was happening to the Armenians of the Ottoman Empire, met in New York and Paris in 1917. New York Life decided to send a lawyer to Constantinople to pay off the insurance claims of approximately 38 percent of its outstanding policies.

However, there were still many unresolved and unclaimed policies still outstanding, yet New York Life decided to retreat from trying to settle the outstanding claims in 1924, leaving more than 2,000 policies unresolved.

Throughout the years, survivors and their descendants made numerous attempts to collect their insurance claims, yet New York Life refused to pay the policy holders, claiming that it did not have sufficient proof that they were related to the deceased life insurance policy holders.

The constant pursuit of beneficiaries resulted in a class action lawsuit in California in 1999. The lawsuit was initiated by Martin Marootian, 85, who is the beneficiary of his uncle's policy. His uncle was killed in 1915.

Once again, when Marootian tried to collect the claim, he was dismissed.

However, according to a law passed in the California Senate last year, survivors of the Armenian Genocide have the right to bring legal claims against insurance companies in California courts for outstanding life insurance benefits stemming from the Armenian Genocide.

In an effort to close the lawsuit, New York Life recently issued a press release in which it announced the financial compensation it is willing to pay to the survivors and the descendants of the Armenian Genocide.

Numerous prerequisites were established. The lawsuit against New York Life and the financial rewards to be made must not take into account personal interests or profits.

New York Life is obligated to publish the complete list of names of Armenian families who purchased life insurance in the Ottoman Empire, ensuring that all heirs have the opportunity to claim benefits.

The first to draw attention to the insurance policies was Henry Morgenthau, the American envoy to Turkey in 1915. In his memoir, "Ambassador Morgenthau's Story," he recounted a conversation he had with Interior Minister Talaat, one of the masterminds behind the Armenian Genocide.

Morgenthau recorded in his memoirs how Talaat wanted American life insurance companies to submit a complete list of their Armenian policy holders. He was recorded as having said that since all the policyholders were dead and had no one to collect the money, the government was the beneficiary.

The Turkish government did not succeed in obtaining the names of Armenian policy holders, nor did it collect any money from the insurance companies.

New York Life is currently in the process of accumulating data to publish the names of policyholders.

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Gorbachev announced a new policy of "perestroika" meaning "new start" giving Karabakh a new hope for independence.

The policy resulted to a political rights movement, which emerged in Karabakh. As a reaction to the movement, massacres and other violent acts were committed against the Armenians in Sumgait, Baku and other places throughout Azerbaijan that had a large population of Armenians.

Then, with the collapse of the USSR, Azerbaijan resorted to direct military actions against the Armenians of Karabakh.

The open conflict between the Armenians of Karabakh and their Azerbaijani rulers followed until the the Armenians of Karabakh prevailed in taking over the territory.

As a result, an independent state entity has been formed on the territory Karabakh, which is now known as The Republic of Nagorno Karabakh. It has its own president, administration, legislature, political principles and armed forces. It has also established a link with neighboring Armenia.

Armenia is paying a huge price as a result of the Karabakh conflict. Its borders with Azerbaijan and Turkey are closed, its economy is losing $62 million in annual exports to its neighbors, and it has also been bypassed for a big pipeline transporting Caspian Sea oil from Azerbaijan. The borders will not reopen until there is a peace agreement.

Project teaches editor valuable lesson



Nune Gazdhyan

The decision to write about Armenia, mainly the Armenian Genocide, for my senior project was not a hard one to make. From day one, I knew that if I had to spend long hours working on a senior project, it was going to be a project that did more than fulfill the requirements for graduation. It had to be a project that would help me grow as a person as well as inform and educate others along the way.

Thus, I chose to write about the tragedy that befell the Armenians in the hands of the Ottoman Turks, a tragedy of which the general public here in California and many parts of the world is not really aware.

Being Armenian myself, I always heard stories about the Armenian Genocide from my family members. I remember my mother telling me about how her grandfather, Hapet Boynukarayan, who was only a boy during the genocide, was taken to the desert along with his family and other Armenians of his village, lined up and shot point blank by Turkish guards.

As bodies started to fall, he went down along with them, pretending to be shot and killed. He was able to stay covered under the bodies until the Turks left.

He told my mother how he heard voices cry out into the empty desert asking for help, but to no avail and were eventually expired, won over by death.

At nightfall, he managed to reach a village where he was given shelter; he lived to give his testimony to my mother and her siblings. Thus, he kept the evil deeds of the Ottoman Empire Turks from being forgotten.

In turn, my mother passed her grandfather's story to us, along with numerous other stories that she read about, making sure that we never forgot about the genocide.

Every time that my mother would tell us about the genocide, I remember wishing that I could just close my ears and avoid hearing about the inhumane tortures and the suffering. As a child it was hard to imagine that people were capable of being so cruel.

However, as I got older, I began to understand why it was important for my mother to tell us about the genocide. I realized that while the genocide took place 86 years ago, it is still an issue of controversy, due to politics, all around the world, because the Turkish Government will not let the Armenians have closure.

The Turkish Government continually campaigns, pressuring countries such as the United States from officially recognizing the genocide. Turkey so far has succeeded in making sure that its crimes are swept under the rug while survivors of the genocide and Armenians all around the world feel old wounds festering with anger and sadness.

I know all about this anger and sadness. I saw it in the faces of all the survivors I interviewed. I witnessed grown men and women break down and cry as they recalled how they marched through the desert, how they witnessed their loved ones being killed right in front of them. They remembered how they roamed the desert with bare feet, hungry while watching the ravens circle above, waiting for them to fall so that they could feast.

The stories that the survivors told me often kept me up at night, and when I did manage to fall asleep, I had nightmares. I was constantly haunted by what I had heard, and no matter how hard I tried to shake the stories out of my head, I could not—I was traumatized.

At one point, I thought that I would not be able to finish my senior project because it was emotionally draining. However, I managed to pull myself together, because I knew that I had to do my part to ensure that what I learned was passed on to others.

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